Senator Jeffords to Address UVM Today

U.S. Sen. James Jeffords and UVM alumna Michele Forman, National Teacher of the Year, are among guests who will help celebrate the University's 210th year in its Opening Convocation this morning in Ira Allen Chapel.

The event will begin at 9:20 a.m. when Marshal Lauck Parke, associate professor of business administration, will lead a procession of administrative leaders, trustees, honor society members and faculty clad in academic regalia into the chapel to music performed by the UVM Brass Quintet.

An address by Sen. Jeffords is expected to recognize contributions to education made by Forman, who earned a master's degree in education at UVM in 1982.

The Middlebury Union High School teacher received the nation's most prestigious teaching award from President George W. Bush at an April 26 ceremony at the White House. Established in 1791, the University of Vermont last held an Opening Convocation in September 1996.

-University Communications

Bryan Leaves Lady Catamounts

University of Vermont fifth-year senior Rachel Bryan has decided to forgo her senior season and will not be a member of the women's basketball team.

Her decision was based on her desire to focus on academics and explore future career opportunities.

Bryan, a 6-2 forward, played in 29 games (14 starts) and averaged 9.2 points and 3.0 rebounds per game. She began her career at the University of Colorado playing in seven games for the Buffaloes (1997-98).

She then transferred to UVM following her freshman season. Bryan sat out the 1998-99 season per NCAA regulations and was a member of the Catamounts for the past two years.

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Courtesy V.I.A.

Alternative Spring Break participants paint a mural in a low-income mining community on their trip to Florida

Volunteers in Action Set to Kickoff New Year

By SETON MANGINE

After 30 years and counting, UVM's Volunteers in Action (V.I.A.) has become an integral part of the Burlington community.

The largest student-run organization on campus, approximately 30 program coordinators run numerous outreach programs.

"V.IA. is an umbrella for 15 different programs," said Director of Council Annie Willis who begins her second year with the organization.

"There's a slew of different activities. Opportunities can range from working two hours a week for the Food Salvage Program at King Street Youth Center to Alternative Spring Break, where you go and do a Over 30 coordinators will lead the largest student organization on campus into a new season of service.

community service activity somewhere in the nation during your spring break.

One program, Habitat for Humanity, gives students a chance to establish a relationship with low-income families in helping them finance and construct a home in Burlington and surrounding communities.

Co-coordinator of UVM's Habitat for Humanity, Joe Bartlett, works with an average of 10-30 volunteers at a particular site.

"Last year we took on the Shed Project and built three large storage sheds to be taken

to houses we've already built," Bartlett said. "Houses are built solely by volunteers for lowincome families." Other opportunities include: A.C.T.I.O.N.S (A.I.D.S. Coalition Teaching Involvement and Outreach for Needed Services), Generations (working with the senior citizen community), Big Buddies and English as a Second Language (ESL). S.E.E.D.S (Student Environmentalist Educators Doing Something) is V.I.A.'s newest program which works with area schools and runs afterschool activities dealing with environmental issues. There is also S.O.S. (Special One-Time Service for students who cannot make a regular commitment but

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are still interested in service.

Housing Crunch Takes Toll

Residential Life Converts Lounges Into Triple Rooms

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

In an effort to provide adequate housing for undergraduate students living on campus, the University has converted lounges in Mason, Simpson and other residence halls into triples.

Many transfer students were guaranteed housing, but were told only two days prior to arriving on campus that they would be living in student lounges.

Transfer student Rachel Darby, 19, currently lives in a former common area with two other girls. "People say stuff like 'how did they do this? It's not fair," Darby said. Another student, Wren Knowles, lives on campus in a regular triple, despite his request for a single room.

He attributes the increase of students living on campus as the reason he was denied housing.

Interim Assistant Vice President Annie Stevens recognizes the fundamental role housing plays in the lives of students and has taken action respectively.

Stevens presented a Master Plan to the UVM Board of Trustees and joins a team of administrators in meeting new housing goals.

She completed a study of 900 students that proves undergraduates

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WRUV Offers a Distinct Sound

By LEE STETSON

In a world of commercial media that seems unable to meet the ever-changing needs of young music fans, college radio is the shining light in a dark sea of Britney Spears, Bob Seger and Snickers commercials.

Here in Burlington, UVM's WRUV-FM fills the musical void left by the modern industry. By-passing pop radio's format-driven monotony, WRUV and other college stations nationwide allow for a venue of alternative music on the FM dial.

Broadcasting at 460 watts with a range of about 10 miles, "Burlington's Better Alternative" provides a wide selection of new and old music that you will be hard-pressed to find anywhere else.

WRUV began as a student club in the 1950's and was one of the first AM stations in the Burlington area.



Courtesy W.R.U.V. A W.R.U.V. DJ works the mike out of Billings basement.

In the early 1970's, WRUV discarded its classical format in favor of becoming a free-format FM station, having operated simulcast AM-FM since 1965.

This free-format style is what defines WRUV. "It allows for more creativity," said WRUV program director Robert Aiken.

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Binge Drinking Identified as National Threat

Parents of college students have more worries than the cost of their child's education: 95 percent believe excessive alcohol consumption is a serious threat to their children.

Approximately 85 percent say that the easy availability of alcohol in college communities contributes to too much drinking.

These national survey findings were released today by the A Matter of Degree (AMOD) program of the American Medical Association (AMA), with support from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Through AMOD, 10 of the nation's leading universities participate in a national pilot project to reduce binge drinking and its harmful effects on college communities.

Rather than approaching binge drinking solely as an individual problem, AMOD uses powerful campus-community partnerships

Binge Drinking - At a Glance

 95 percent of parents believe excessive alcohol consumption is a serious threat to their children

• 85 percent of parents say that easy availability of alcohol in college communities contributes to too much drinking.

• 79 percent of parents believed beer and liquor company advertisements were important factors contributing to binge drinking

to counter factors that contribute to binge drinking, including cheap drink specials such as \$1 pitchers and 2-for-1 shots, too many bars near campus, and illegal sales to underage students.

Parents strongly favor such public policies to curb social influences that promote high-risk

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When Competition Sacrifices Integrity

By now, most of us are familiar with Danny Almonte; a young man who catapulted into the national spotlight as he carried the "Baby Bombers" to the U.S. Championship of the Litle League World Series in Williamsport, Pennsylvannia.

An apparent phenom, Almonte use his fast-ball clocked at 70 miles per hour to strike out 46 batters in three starts and pitch the tournament's first perfect game since 1957. He quickly became a national celebrity, and he and the Rolando Paulino All-Stars were given the keys to city by New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

However, when an exhaustive investigation last week revealed that Almonte was in fact 14 years of age (two years too old), he and his team were forever wiped from the record books.

No no-hitter. No perfect game. The dreams of Little Leaguers nationwide shattered.

However, the saddest part of all was that Almonte's father Felipe was willing to falsify his son's birth documents for Little League, but could not find the time to enroll Danny in school. In an era where parents will duke it out in a fist fight following a youth hockey game, and where two-year olds sleep with a footballs in their cribs, the actions of Mr. Almonte should hardly come as a surprise.

However, it leads one to question whether competition in sports has gone too far.

Put yourself in Danny's shoes or those of nine-year-old kids who wage war on the football field in the Pop Warner Superbowl rings, cheerleading squads and all.

Perhaps the stress on winning is too great at such a young age, and perhaps Mr. Almonte may not have forged the birth records of both his sons had not the media created such a frenzy over youth sports.

The case of Danny and his father and the Rolando Paulino All-Stars should be a reminder to all of us that honesty and good sportmanship should not be eclipsed by an unrelenting drive to win.

For the parents who live their dreams through their children, let Mr. Almonte's story teach its lesson.

Social Ranking No Party For Universities

Kudos to the Princeton Review, those infamous test-prep gurus in New York City. They have effectively created a set of rankings that no college actually wants to win.

This year, the University of Tennessee was the unhappy recipient of the Review's well-known "Best Party School" national title. Not only is the distinction ridiculous, it is a night-mare for officials who must deal with the deluge of questions and complaints from media and prospective students.

Admissions officials at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville were rattled, to say the least, when they discovered that their school beat out everybody else for the unfortunate title. Tennessee took top honors for "Most Beer" in the Review's *Best 331 Colleges* book, making the university the uncontested leader in the parties

This year the University of Tennessee took the honors, marring the hard work of faculty members.

category.

This is the same University of Tennessee that is, according to its school web site, investing in research centers and academic programs to "provide an outstanding education for undergraduate and graduate students." Provost De Loren Crabtree said, "students are our top priority" in his welcome letter.

Social rankings simply cause prospective students to color any and everything else that admissions offiThe 'party school' distinction is not just ridiculous -- it's a nightmare for university officials.

cials say with distrust. Tennessee's admissions office might be extolling its renowned medieval history research, but that won't prevent the "Most Beer" distinction from swirling in the backs of prospective students' minds.

The more studious contingent at Tennessee will not be taken seriously, since the school is now known for having the nation's rowdiest party animals.

The Princeton Review may have had prospective students in mind, but it certainly ignored the dignity of the faculty at Tennessee, which is affected by the overall reputation of the school and thus the extent to which students take school seriously.

Tennessee's faculty members are the unwitting losers in all of this because their hard work has been marred by this senseless award.

The Princeton Review should veer away from social student surveys altogether.

Granted, its mission is simply to help students choose a good school.

But when this mission distracts administrators from improving their academics, this is where they ought to draw the line.

Juliana Chan is a columnist for the Cavalier Daily at the University of Virginia

Let There Be No More Casualties

Each year, thousands of parents nationwide bid farewell to their children as they begin their college careeers.

As they part, they remind their children to call home regularly, study hard and stay safe. They tell them to use good judgement and be careful with drugs and alcohol.

Many mothers will give their child one last embrace and tell them they will meet again soon on Parents' weekend or Thanksgiving vacation.

It was not too long ago that one handsome, bright and talented young man said farewell to his family as he began his freshman year. However, he did not return home for Thanksgiving vacation.

His name was Scott Krueger and his fate was one that has become all too familiar on college campuses nationwide.

M.I.T. freshman Scott Kreuger was pronounced dead just after midnight on Sept. 29, 1997 shortly after he arrived to the hospital

with a .41 percent blood alcohol level.

He had been participating in a fraternity event at Fiji where he was encouraged to drink excessive amounts of alcohol in a short period of time.

Krueger left a loving family, friends and a promising future behind.

It's no wonder that 95 percent of parents believe excessive alcohol consumption is a serious threat to their children.

Their concerns are legitimate.

The problem is real. No parents expect that their child will predecease them.

Time and time again college students are reminded to drink responsibly and make smart decisions. Too often this advice goes unheeded.

Next time you go out drinking with friends, remember to take care and know your limits. It shouldn't take another Scott Krueger to open your eyes.

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Welcome to B-Town

Welcome to UVM and welcome to contradiction. Welcome to the campus where:

- the most unifying event is a pot rally
- the native Vermonters are dwarfed by a huge out of state population (yes, this is a state school whether Gov. Dean knows it or not)
- money and luxury are flaunted in one of the poorest states in the country
- capitalist-hating dreadies have massive trust funds (appearance trumps reality)
- environmentally aware students drive a disproportionate number of SUV's
- money and life on the hill couldn't even be considered fathomable by many of Burlington's residents
- we have a notorious reputation (this year it's down to #18) as a party school but cry like hell when we're caught
- one in five of the Class of 2003 didn't return for their sophomore year with most more than happy to leave
 - the library is a social scene
- the educational institution bestowing enlightenment upon you sells your address to credit card companies and Playboy
- our professors are so terrified of the administration that they, after several attempts and much resistance, formed a union
- our school annually flirts with debt yet plans a multi-million dollar

"Gateway" project

- Trinity lies vacant and we're planning to build more dorms (Hello!?)
- the off-campus housing situation is nothing short of ridiculous

I'm sure by now a few of you are ready to whoop up on me, but I'm aware of the generalizations I've made here. And, yes, I'm fortunate too; don't think I don't realize it every day I wake up.

I left my last school because no one was awake; there wasn't any thinking going on there at all. I've had professors who would argue that the same is true here, but for me UVM has been a great ride so far.

I believe it offers incredible opportunity for growth. No place is perfect, and this place is better than most.

I applaud ASBers, members of V.I.A. and SPARC (or anything for that matter). My point is to demand more from each other and our school. Contradictions are bound to exist, given America's system of higher education. But this by no means infers that we must permit apathy to reside here on campus.

We are far too unique and eclectic a group to allow it. Bumper stickers don't count as action.

Do something. Do anything.

Ryan Herchenroether Class of 2002

CROSSFIRE

Let's Take Our Cue From Jeffords

By BRANDON JOHNSON

I am by absolutely no means a Bill Clinton supporter. However, I must admit he did speak with a hint of prophecy when he declared: "It's the economy, stupid." George W. has not followed suit with a comparable perspective.Less than nine months into his presidency, Bush has nearly blown the entire surplus, mostly on tax cuts for the rich.

The military, with such programs as Son of Stars Wars, will get an increase of 18 billion, while healthcare, environmental, and childcare initiatives will get nothing.

This mismanaged economy has had The Economist predicting stockbrokers jumping from their offices and even CNN questioning the ability of Bush to get reelected. More broadly, Bush's stance on such things as the Kyoto agreement and his boycott of the UN conference on racism is alienating much of the world.

I just returned from Europe. The entire continent it seems is dismayed at the United States' internal inequalities.

A considerable amount of criticism was voiced regarding

Bush's month-long vacation. I for one wish he stayed longer. We don't need him in D.C., putting more arsenic in our drinking

Now with the beginning of the next Congressional session, the pressure on Bush will get more intense. If we want to prevent him from wrecking our country and our world, we will have to step

That's why I think Jim Jeffords switching from the Republican to the Democratic party (giving the latter control of the Senate) was so great.

He did what he could to limit Bush's power. However, while we can congratulate and cheer him, we must also see his move as a call to action.

We must all rise up, make our voices heard, and re-enter democracy by taking an active role in our country's management. Be this by petition or protest, it is vital. And remember, it is our active involvement in political affairs that will make the difference, not the Democrats.

Cynic columnist Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

President Bush Passes Early Tests

Solid Performance Despite Criticism

By PETER J. MORRISON

It has certainly been an interesting summer in the realm of politics, especially from the perspective of a Conservative from the state of Vermont.

Among the things that have happened there has been the

Bush should be commended for his achievements thus far.

good, the bad, and then Jim Jeffords.

First of all, I would like congratulate President Bush for his accomplishments so far.

Not only has he already managed a smooth transition, he passed his first major priority: the tax cut.

The President continues to disprove his critics who still underestimate him at every turn.

They expected him to fall on his face on his trip to Europe, but instead he impressed foreign leaders and struck an agreement with Russian President Putin.

The President's performance so far has not been perfect.

His faith-based initiative is making little progress, and he taken some flak for his "vacation" at the Western White House in Texas.

However, it's important to keep two things in mind.

First, the White House travels with the President.

He is never not President and he continues to work, even on

Secondly, there is little reason to be in Washington when no one in Congress is there to work with.

I must admit that I am disappointed with the President's use or lack thereof of the bully pulpit, but hopefully the speech on the stem cell decision will mark the beginning of a more vocal presi-

Now that the President is back in town and Congress will soon return, there are three major issues which will hopefully incite progress.

The education reform bills that

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Issues of education reform, patient's bill of rights, and appropriation bills top upcoming agenda.

are in Congress, the trial lawyer enrichment act (patient's bill of rights), and a likely battle over the appropriation bills that will mark the first budget under President Bush.

That brings me to Sen. Jim Jeffords who has surrendered the unified control of government that the Republicans enjoyed.

Without casting aspersions on his character, I would like to let two facts be known.

First, he was going to lose

chairmanship of his committee.

Second, if either Sen. Thurman or Helms had died because of their health problems, Jeffords would have found himself out of the majority with much less

By becoming an "independent" he got to become the chairman of

The president continues to disprove critics who underestimate him at every turn.

the environment and public works committee.

Cynic columnist Peter J. Morrison is a member of the Class of 2003.

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Farewell, Mr. Rogers Perhaps the biggest news story

this past week, in my opinion, does not have to do with sex or whether or not the finances of the U.S. government are up a creek without a paddle or not.It's the passing of "Mister Rogers" Neighborhood."

After more than 30 years on the air, the great Fred Rogers will hang up the sweater and the sneakers in the closet, marking the last time new episodes of the show will be taped.

Many of you reading this may be laughing at the overly simplistic quality of Rogers' show. Or the fact that the show never changed. But it has been these qualities that are the true secret of Rogers' suc-

For those of us in the current generation of college students who love nothing more than to vehemently protest anything that is mass-produced and sold by the so-called "multi-national corporations," Rogers provides an example by not marketing his popular "trolley car" and various

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Courtesy ABCNews.Com Mr. Roger's said goodbye to fans after over 30 years on the air.

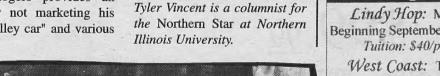
puppet dolls at all. There were no Mister Rogers posters or bedspreads. No talking Mister Rogers or Queen Sara talking

Not so much that Rogers was making a political statement. It just wasn't what he was about. He probably lost out on making millions of dollars in the process, but then again his reward was probably having the only children's television show that wasn't trying to sell you something.

So long, old friend.

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Binge Drinking Still a Threat According to National Survey

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drinking, the study found.

Nationally, the number of students who frequently binge drink, meaning they binged three or more times in two weeks, is on the rise.

Around 44 percent of college students binge, and nearly one in four do so frequently, placing



Courtesy Photo A college student drinks from a beer

Nearly one in four college students binge drink frequently.

themselves and others at risk for numerous alcohol-related harms, including sexual assault and other violence, traumatic injury, and death by alcohol overdose.

"Parents recognize the role that easy access to inexpensive alcohol plays in this complex public health issue, and they want to see change," said J. Edward Hill, M.D., AMA chair-elect.

"The majority no longer perceive college binge drinking as a rite of passage - they see it as a major public health threat."

- AMA Press Release

Housing Crunch Continues

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want more privacy and are willing to pay extra for preferred housing.

"The University hasn't built any new residential halls in about thirty years," Stevens said. "That's a long time, but all universities go through these phases," she said.

Two new dormitories and the renovation of every other residential hall is in the ten-year plan which will cost the university an estimated 169 million dollars.

Safety issues will be addressed with a \$17 million sprinkler system across campus.

The plan is expected to ultimately eliminate triples. In addition, the plan is set to convert 200 doubles into single rooms, almost tripling the number of singles that are currently available,

"This is clearly needed," said trustee Ben Forsyth.

'The residential living environ-

'The residential living environment is a major part of students lives, and quite frankly, we haven't paid enough attention to it.'

Trustee Ben Forsyth

ment is a major part of students lives, and quite frankly, we haven't paid enough attention to it"

Burlington is plagued by a housing crunch both on and off campus.

For several years, the city has had a housing market vacancy of less than one percent.

In turn, approximately 230 more students than last year plan to live on campus.

Approximately 415 first-year students currently reside in triples, along with 21 transfer students and 69 returning students.

V.I.A. Launches Another Season of Service



Courtesy V.I.A.

A.S.B. participants in Detroit establishing relations with elders through Caring Together program.

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"I organize community service opportunities sporadically, so students who can't commit to volunteer work have a chance to get involved," said S.O.S Director Sarah Younggren, who is in the process of organizing the 10th Annual Community Serve-a-thon on Saturday, Sept. 29 at St. Michael's College.

Younggren has found working with V.I.A. to be rewarding.

"All of my friends I met through volunteer work," she said.

"It's made my experience at the University of Vermont."

For more information on how to get involved in one of nine trips planned over spring break,

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	2216	Report of suspicious circumstances in Converse Hall.
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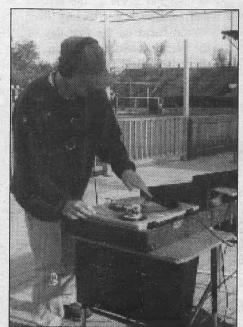
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WRUV: Burlington's Alternative Station



Courtesy WRUV A WRUV DJ spins at Centennial Field.

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Since no commercial formats are applied, a wide spectrum of music is showcased on the station. In order to preserve this eclectic atmosphere and to continue to promote alternative music, a strict no-commercial-music policy is enforced on WRUV. This insures that you will not hear any artist that has ever been on the Billboard's top 50 or has been in rotation on commercial radio or MTV-and yes, that means no Phish or Grateful Dead.

But hippies fear not—WRUV is sure to serve a healthy dose of reggae and bluegrass. Not to mention Celtic, punk, techno and jazz. In fact, with the largest music library in the state of Vermont, the musical possibilities are endless.

Unfortunately, the opportunities for non-commercial radio to survive in our modern economy are few and far between. Many college radio stations are "selling-

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out" and selling commercials, as well as playing pop music as part of a rotation. WRUV prides itself on not going down

To DJ Delia Gillen, a member of the Burlington community and a DJ for seven years, this preservation is most important. "It is almost impossible to get a community station open to students and community members...[it is] something that definitely needs to be protected and funded," she said. WRUV is open to all members of the community, not only UVM students. However, student participation has been down in recent years. Now, UVM students make up less than 50 percent of the WRUV staff.

"Since [WRUV] is student run and student funded, we're trying to get more in there," said WRUV's chief operator and dance DJ Cynthia Forker.

WRUV informational session: Sept. 16, 7 p.m. SGA Lounge, basement of Billings

"That's just the way it should be."

WRUV has 50-60 on-air DJs each semester. New DJs must participate in a training session and a graveyard shift program during their first semester as a DJ. The following semester they can apply for a regular weekly show.

WRUV also encourages its DJs to participate in volunteer work for the station which can include anything from recording promos to organizing compact discs.

WRUV's schedule begins on Sept. 8. The schedule and live radio broadcasts can be found on WRUV's website, www.uvm.edu/wruv. To contact WRUV, e-mail wruv@zoo.uvm.edu, call 656-0796, or stop by the studio in the basement of Billings. WRUV can be found at 90.1 FM on your radio.

Keller Williams: 'In Harmony With Technology'

Don't miss the remarkable chance to see Keller Williams perform solo at Higher Ground on Oct. 2. Touring in support of his latest live album Loop, Keller is performing at larger venues as he astounds sold-out audiences.

Higher Ground Tuesday Oct. 2, 9 p.m., 18+ welcome Tickets \$10, \$12

On stage Keller exudes a quirky charm and obvious genius. Everything this rhythmic monster picks up comes alive.

His arsenal of instruments includes a ten-string guitar, bass, djembe, mouth flugel and a "Jam Man" to loop and layer sounds.

Keller is a breath-taking one man show. Audiences can't help but smile at his clever lyrics and playful covers of the most unexpected songs. Williams recently recorded a studio album for SCI Fidelity Records.

- Staff Report

Neville Brothers to Play at Higher Ground Oct. 27

For more than 20 years, the Neville Brothers have performed for appreciative audiences worldwide with their unique blend of rhythm and blues, funk, pop, and jazz.

Newsweek says the Neville Brothers "pour out a stream of synopated, funky, riveting music that makes you dance and ache and cry inside."

The Neville Brothers featuring Aaron (vocals and percussion), Art (keyboards and vocals), Charles (saxes, percussion, and vocals), and Cyril (percussion, vocals)-

Tickets on sale Sep. 6 (members) & Sep. 10 (public) \$37, \$31, \$27

will perform at the Flynn on Saturday, Oct. 27 at 8 pm. The four first performed on the Wild Tchoupitoulas recording with their uncle, the flamboyant Mardi Gras Indian George "Big Chief Jolly" Landry. Shortly after, in

1977, they formed The Neville Brothers.

Named "Ambassadors of New Orleans music," the Nevilles have their



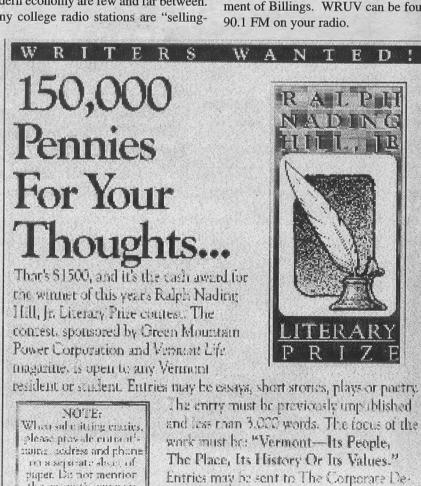
Courtesy Photo The Neville Brothers will soon play at Higher Ground.

own spot on the New Orleans Walk of Fame for their contributions to the city's music community.

Each brother has worked on various side projects like The Funky Meters, The Uptown Allstars and Diversity.

Opening the concert is the Sandra Wright Band according who, Blueswire "plumbs the core of feeling with much of the confident technique and righteous intensity of grand dames Koko Taylor and Etta James."

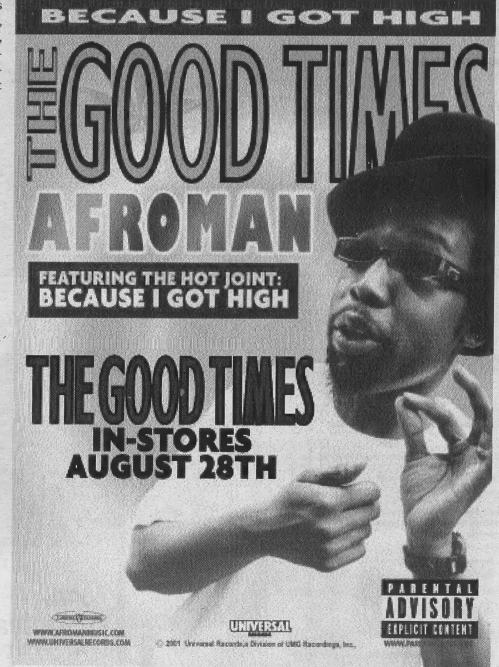
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For Taliaferro, It's One Step at a Time



Ben Dickie, Cynic Sports Columnist

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How many times have you complained about walking all the way to class because the on campus shuttle was full?

How many occasions have you had pity on yourself, half muming-half cursing, 'why couldn't aig just tell them to push back I could squeak on. I am so sack of walking?'

What most of us take for granted has become a huge accomplishment for Adam Taliaferro. Taliaferro is a student at Penn State beginning his second year of college.

If you saw him, you'd think that he was just your ordinary college student making his way to class.

But if you knew the whole story, then you would realize

just how big every step he takes really is.

College football fans everywhere tuned in Saturday to watch Penn State take on the second-ranked team in the country: the Miami Hurricanes.

A record crowd of 109,313 stood and cheered as Adam Taliaferro hopped and skipped onto the field wearing his jersey, number 43.

It was less then a year ago that Taliaferro was suited up as a freshman playing against Ohio State.

In that game he made a tackle that would forever change his life.

The play was over, and the players got up to return to the huddle.

All except Adam. He lay on the field motionless. Silence filled the stadium.

Taliaferro was immediately looked at by team doctors who quickly realized that he couldn't move.

They removed him on a stretcher.

Doctors said that he had fractured his C-5 vertebrae and would probably never walk again.

Taliaferro had successful surgery, but the prospect of a full recovery was dubious.

But Taliaferro refused to give up.

He began rehabilitation not knowing whether he would make any notable progress.

Then on Jan. 5, less then four months after his tragedy, some-

thing remarkable happened.

Taliaferro made his way out of the hospital on crutches.

Since then, he has continued to improve, keeping his eyes set on leading the Penn State football team out onto the field for the season opener.

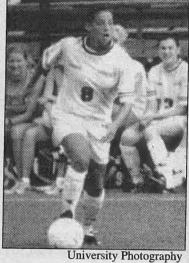
Saturday had been marked on his calendar for some time.

While it may have been Miami's game, the night belonged to Adam.

The courage and determination of a special 19-year-old was felt throughout the stadium and beyond.

Adam, you are an inspiration to us all.

Cats Roll Over Pioneers 3-1



University Photography
Brooke Berger's assist against
Sacred Heart helped the Cats win
their first season-opener since 1997.

their first season-opener since 1997.
The University of Vermont

women's soccer team scored three

unanswered goals in the second half to earn a 3-1 victory over Sacred Heart on the first day of the Vermont Soccer Classic at Centennial Field. The victory was Vermont's first season-opening win since the 1997.

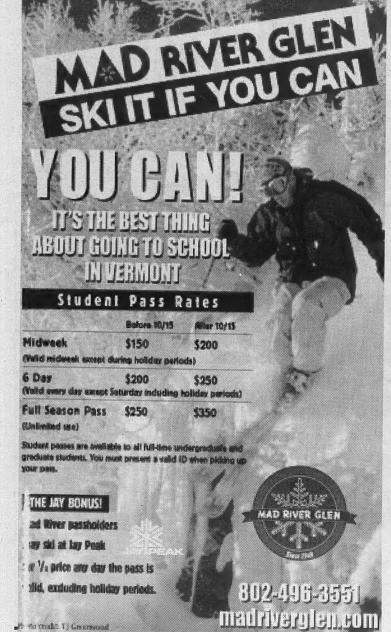
After several scoring opportunities slipped by in the first half, junior Megan Mercier scored UVM's first goal of the season in the 56th minute.

Senior Kelly Herrero found the net 63 minutes in and Hessney tallied her first collegiate goal on a nice passing sequence from Lauren Donagher and Brooke Berger in the 86th minute to close out the scoring.

Vermont's Brooke Fairbanks picked up the victory with four saves in the Catmount net.

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R.O.T.C. Program Molds Future Leaders



R.O.T.C. cadets pose for a picture following a training exercise last Spring. UVM is the host institution to over 60 participants

Student Soldiers Learn Life Lessons

By CAITLIN TROMBETTA

One of 21 in New England, UVM's R.O.T.C. program is designed for students who wish to pursue a career as an officer in the US Army.

Vermont is a host institution for R.O.T.C. students from across the state including: St. Michael's College, Castleton State and Lyndon State. The program complements the everyday lives of its students through instilling discipline and teaching leadership skills.

Why consider the Army? For UVM junior Mark Osborne, the decision was easy.

"College is all about time management and being in the military teaches you how to be disciplined, self-discipline espe-

very advantageous for me to get in that kind of environment, plus it helps pay for school," he

R.O.T.C. students can apply for a two, three, or four-year scholarship depending on how long they participate in the program. An Army R.O.T.C. scholarship is worth up to \$17,000 for tuition, \$600 for books and a stipend for living expenses that ranges from \$2,500 for freshmen to \$3,500 for seniors.

Currently, 37 students in the program are on scholarship enrollments.

Each cadet must complete basic academic requirements which include: two six-hour leadership labs per semester, one 48-hour field training exer-

cially and I thought it would be cise per semester and participation in one social event. Freshmen must attend a onehour class each week, sophomores a one and a half-hour class each week, and for juniors and seniors a two-hour class each week.

> To fulfill the fitness requirement, each cadet is required to attend a Wednesday fitness testing and/or group training which takes place from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. Cadets are expected to adopt a fitness ethos and conduct fitness training on their

If a cadet enters their junior year and decides to continue the program, they are required to sign a contract that obligates them to four years of active duty

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Cats Come Up Short at Smith **Barney Classic**

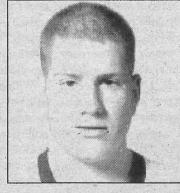
Chris Ruggi's goal in the 83rd minute gave Holy Cross a 1-0 win over host Vermont in the Smith Barney Soccer Classic at the University of Vermont's Centennial Field on Sunday afternoon.

The loss for the Catamounts was their first over the last four tournaments as UNH, who topped Georgetown 3-2 in two overtimes in Sunday's opener, won the title to stop the Catamounts three-year reign on the crown.

Ruggi's goal was also the first tally against Vermont in their fast four Smith Barney games, a

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Sheftic, Thibault Leave Team



University Photography Junior center Matt Sheftic will not play for the Cats this season

Vermont junior Matt Sheftic and sophomore Jed Thibault of Burlington will not play basketball for the school, head men's basketball coach Tom Brennan announced today. Both cited personal reasons for their decision and both will remain enrolled in school.

"We are obviously disappointed, but we wish them nothing but the best."

Tom Brennan Vermont Head Coach

"We are obviously disappointed, but we wish them nothing but the best," Brennan said regarding the loss of the two local players.

Sheftic, a 6-foot-8 center who played two years for Vermont, averaged 10.0 points and 5.3 rebounds per game in 28 games for the Catamounts last season. In his freshman season, Thibault, a 6-foot guard, averaged 1.7 points per game in 21

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Colodny Outlines Clear Vision for University

Improving School's Image Top Priority

By ALEXANDRA TURSI

For UVM Interim President Edwin Colodny the agenda is clear: revamp UVM's image through promoting diversity, striving for academic excellence and launching a successful capital campaign.

In a recent interview with the Cynic, the former C.E.O. of U.S. Airways spoke candidly of the issues he wishes to address during his tenure.

With the successful completion of his proposed restructuring, Colodny hopes to enhance academic programs and ensure that academic achievement is recog-

For Colodny, this means curbing activities that taint the school's reputation.

"I'd like to see the activities that are detrimental, namely excessive alcohol and drug abuse diminished on campus," he said.

"I believe that anything that diminishes the institution, tarnishes the value of the degree the individual receives."

A popular event that attracts negative publicity



Courtesy Photo **UVM** Interim President Edwin Colodny.

for the University is 420 day.

An estimated 7,000 gathered in front of Bailey/Howe Library on April 20 last year, most to smoke marijuana.

Colodny described the event as a "negative activity that taints the image of our students and of the university at large."

In his opinion, students who support the legalization of marijuana should explore more constructive ways of protesting.

He suggested options such as

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Law School Applicant Increase Hits 10-Year High

U.S. law schools are experiencing the largest increase in applicants since 1991, the Law School Admission Council (LSAC) announced today.

While final data are not yet available, preliminary numbers show that approximately 78,724 persons will have applied to at least one ABA-approved law school for the Fall 2001 class -- a 5.6 percent increase over the previous year.

"The increase is good news for law schools that saw a nearly onethird decrease in the number of applicants during the nineties," said Philip D. Shelton, president and executive director of the LSAC.

"The increase in applicants is allowing law schools to be more selective and assemble better law school classes."

"Applications have jumped radically here," said Peter C. Storandt, Director of Admissions at Oklahoma City University School of Law.

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"We're not quite certain why. But our recruitment efforts here have allowed us to be well-positioned to take advantage of the increase."

Some admission professionals believe the increase in applicants may be linked to the downturn in the economy.

"The economy has changed dramatically," said William J. Hoye,

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University Climbs in U.S. News Rankings

UVM moved up a notch in U.S. News & World Report's just released ranking of the nation's top 50 national public universities to a tie for 44th place, up from a tie for 47th last year.

As it has been throughout the 1990's, UVM is also ranked in the second of four tiers in the "National Universities-Doctorate" category, which includes private as well as public universities.

Key to UVM's rise in the public university ranking were improvements in academic reputation, which moved to 3.0 on a 1-5 scale, up from 2.9 last year, and selectiv-

Both average SAT/ACT scores and percent of first-year students in the top 10 percent of their high

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A Bit Late to Focus on Winning

Over the course of the next few weeks, athletic officials are expected to cut six of Vermont's 27 varsity sports and put an increased emphasis on winning for the remaining programs.

Coaches will rightly be held accountable for losing seasons.

No one enjoys losing. Losing doesn't attract students, it doesn't attract top athletes and it doesn't bring in money for a school that is struggling financially.

Division One athletics is a business and should be treated as such.

Coaches that don't produce should be let go

and ones that do should be rewarded.

It's too bad the University took so long to recognize the importance of winning and how top athletic programs play a crucial role in student life on campus.

Winning programs can single-handedly unite a student body that is disconnected.

Perhaps if fundraising for athletics was pursued more aggressively at an earlier stage, these cuts would not be necessary. Now, the price is dear, and programs that boasted some of the finest student-athletes and role models in the country will fade into oblivion.

The Hype of College Rankings

The editors at U.S. News & World Report have released their most recent rankings identifying the "best colleges" in the country. Tied with three other schools at 47 last year, UVM has moved to 44, sitting more comfortably on the list of the top 50 public universities in the nation.

What it means for the University is probably more than administrators will admit. Whether the criteria used to rate colleges is fair or accurate is questionable, but it carries a label.

UVM is 44 until next September, when the rankings are released again.

When parents search for colleges with their children that's what they'll see.

The goal of organizations such as U.S. News and The Princeton Review is to help parents make an informed decision about where their child will attend school since they are making a considerable investment.

However, certain institutions stand alone. Formulas and surveys can only reveal so much. Ultimately, its the students who need to do the research and the experience that counts.

Get Involved on Campus and In Community

Students at UVM are often criticized for being apathetic, and in some cases rightly so. Some students allow partying to interfere with academics to the point where they skip classes on a regular basis and sleep the day away.

While having fun is an crucial part of the college experience, students need to realize the importance and inherent value of getting involved on campus and in the community.

Many alumni who were interviewed in last Fall's edition of the Vermont Quarterly said their biggest regret was that they did not participate in more extra-curricular activities while they were at UVM.

With outstanding student organizations such as Volunteers in Action, numerous club sports programs and other student groups, it's a shame that student participation is so low.

Often the most rewarding part of a college experience is what is learned outside the classroom.

Being a member of a club or helping out in the community will provide an individual with skills that are invaluable.

Upon graduation, one should have no regrets about the quality of their college experience.

Take the initiative and heed the advice of those who walked the halls of UVM years

There's no need to look back thinking of what might have been.

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Does The Cynic Practice Responsible Journalism?

We are writing in response to The Cynic's decision to publish an article on Israel-Palestinian relations by Bradley Smith (August 28, 2001).

The editorial staff of the Cynic has told students that it was unaware that Bradley Smith is an active Holocaust denier who is in the business of marketing lies, albeit subtly presented ones, in campus papers across the country. The majority of the Cynics readers may also have been in the dark about this guest columnist's background.

The decision by the Cynic editor to publish an opinion piece on the sensitive and emotionally-charged situation in the Middle East written by a person with this history on issues relating to Jews and Israel reflects irresponsible journalism and does a disservice to Cynic readers and the UVM communi-

For decades, one of Smith's most successful strategies for publicizing his views has been to make submissions of advertisements and editorial columns to campus newspapers, knowing that idealistic and committed campus journalists might feel an obligation to publish his material.

Many people in our community may not know that in September 1998, the Cynic's choice to publish a Holocaust denial advertisement by Bradley Smith was swiftly condemned by former UVM President Judith Ramaley, as well as by UVM Hillel and the Anti-Defamation League.

Campus newspaper staffs need to understand that a principled rejection of propaganda from purveyors of hate is consistent with all recognized standards of academic freedom and interpretations of the First Amendment.

No newspaper has an obligation to publish everything that is submitted. Further, the editorial staff has a responsibility to make serious inquiries before printing any submission, particularly one from someone outside of the UVM community.

The Cynic owes its readers an explanation of its editorial policies and a clarification of the decision-making process that led them to give Bradley Smith a platform in the Cynic. The Cynic will be wise to address these concerns with clear editorial and advertising policies that can guide the paper year to year as student journalists come and go.

The lesson learned in 1998 should have prevented this from happening in 2001. Additional background information on Smith and his history of Holocaust denial is available online at www.adl.org and in the UVM Hillel office.

Sincerely,

Jena Strong
Executive Director, UVM Hillel

Ilana Levin, Vice-President, UVM Hillel

Andy Tarsy,
Civil Rights Director, AntiDefamation League, New England

Going Downhill at UVM

When I first arrived on campus my freshmen year, I had a vision of what college would be like. I had pictured college life to be similar to what I had heard from my parents and older sister.

In the past few years, this vision has turned into an understanding of what UVM is all about: money and bureaucracy.

I consider myself fortunate that I am in the College of Engineering and Mathematics. This is a small college of approximately 500 people; small enough so that all my classes are with the same thirty people and everyone in the department knows who I am.

Academics aside, UVM has been a disappointing experience. While academics are a large part of college life, there is so much more to a college experience. This is where the University of Vermont has failed me. Where to begin?

Ahhh, the tennis courts. I love tennis. In my three years here, the outdoor tennis courts have always been in a state of pitiful disrepair.

Large cracks run throughout each of the three courts, and in many months, large weeds grow in these cracks. One year ago, I learned that a new parking lot may be built in place of these courts. Instead of fixing the problem, UVM's solution is to turn its back and hope that not enough people care.

This past summer, the nets on the outdoor courts were never put up.

With all the construction on campus, I had a small hope that the courts would be repaired. However, they have just been left alone and continue to deteriorate.

This is all old news; lets catch up a little here. Sunday, August 26. The day before classes began. It's three in the afternoon and I went to play tennis with a roommate who had been gone all summer. The outdoor courts were completely unplayable (besides the fact that the nets were not even raised), so we went right to the six indoor courts. Four of these courts were already in use, and in our warm-up the last court became occupied.

With a student body the size of ours, it's not surprising that twelve people wanted to play tennis on a Sunday afternoon.

However, a few games into the first set, we were rudely interrupted and informed that the facility was closed. If the facility was really closed, why were all the doors open and unlocked? Why were the nets raised? And why were the courts filled to capacity?

Without any other place to play, we had to call it a day. It seemed as though the other people were just as frustrated with the news. That was a bad start to the semester.

My next gripe is with the incredible lack of organization in the Living/Learning Center.

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CROSSFIRE

Sale of Vermont Yankee Bad for Vermonters

By BRANDON JOHNSON

One of the consequences of having Bush in office and a Democratic Party unwilling to fight him is America's new pro-nuclear energy policy.

For folks in Vermont, this is a pressing issue. Energy, a colossal power provider with over a dozen plants, recently acquired Vermont Yankee, a 540-megawatt nuclear power station in Vernon, Vermont. Energy is trying to cash in on Bush's

Does Energy give a damn about Vermont or Vermonters? The answer must be no.

power policy.

Vermont Yankee sold for 180 million dollars. I would have paid less for a power station that the Citizens Awareness Network and the Union of Concerned Scientists filed formal allegations with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission against last month. A whistleblower had come forward to expose possible gross misconduct at the plant. One of the accusations was that safety provisions were not being followed to make the plant look more appealing to potential buyers. In 1998, the security at the plant was so laughable that an investigator practically walked into the control room with a mock gun.

We should ask ourselves, "Does Energy give one damn about Vermont or Vermonters?" The answer must be no. The Louisiana mega-corp is only interested in one thing: profit.

Only three months ago, Energy had the license for a plant they own in Arkansas extended for a frightening 20 years.

This plant, built in 1972, will have its license expire in 2012. However, Energy is banking on a pro-nuke administration in in the White House to extend that license by decades. That's why they're willing to dish out so much for a power plant that would have accepted only 23 million dollars not too long ago. Only three months ago, Energy had the license for a plant they own in Arkansas extended for a frightening 20 years. Vermonters should be worried. And the nuclear waste? Currently, Vermont Yankee's on-site storage will be filled by 2008. After that, who knows? Is this sale good for Vermont? Absolutely not.Germany derives almost 25 percent of its energy from wind and renewable sources. Why is the U.S. stuck in the past? Hydro-Quebec offers a good solution. Why not utilize them?

Even the buses in Burlington use bio-diesel. Better solutions to our energy needs abound, nuclear power is not only dangerous and environmentally harmful but it is now out-dated.

Large energy brokers want profit and not safe or reliable power.

Cynic columnist Peter J. Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

Renew Power Plant's License and Help State

By PETER J. MORRISON

Not only is nuclear power environmentally friendly, but it also provides a longterm source of power.

As many of you have seen and heard, this nation faces energy shortages from coast to coast.

These shortages have become most apparent in the rolling blackouts and brown outs that have affected California among other states.

One of the issues that this energy shortage has brought back to life is nuclear power.

Not only is nuclear power environmentally friendly (with the exception of rare accidents) but it also provides a long-term source of power.

In Vermont we have the Vermont Yankee nuclear plant.

First put into full operation in Nov. 1972, it is one

The main problem with nuclear power is storage. Right now, this issue is not of immediate concern, but for the future we need to complete a storage site like the one that the federal government is constructing at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

of the oldest reactors still in use.

Vermont Yankee was recently bought by Energy Corporation for a price of 180 million dollars.

The sale of the plant is important for two reasons. One, the new company hopes to increase the power capacity of the plant by 10 percent. Secondly, the company hopes to extend the plant's operating life.

The main problem with nuclear power is storage. Right now, this issue is not of immediate concern, but for the future we need to complete a storage site like the one that the federal government is constructing at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

We see just how effective nuclear power can be by looking at France which derives 75 percent of its power from nuclear reactors.

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Much of our power demands could be eliminated by increasing our percentage of usage by considerably less.

I would urge the state regulators to renew the power plant's license which expires in 2012.

This would provide a good, clean source of energy to fulfill rising demand and provide additional jobs for the state of Vermont.

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How the University of Vermont Has Failed Me

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Specifically, the trouble the Director's Office has communicating with the students at the front desk, perhaps 50 feet away.

This will be my third year involved with the Pottery Co-op in the Living/Learning Center. This program is one of the best programs the University has to offer, simply because Joan has almost totalitarian control over it and UVM officials stay away from Joan.

The pottery studio was closed over the summer due to construction. It was a long summer. When the semester began, I went to talk to Joan to see if I could start a couple of weeks early.

I paid my 75-dollar membership fee so that I could begin right away. I got my membership card and was told that I could start using the studio the next day. As I excitedly walked up to L/L, I saw that the studio was closed and locked.

That should not have been a problem, because the key is at the front desk. But once again, I was bum out of luck. Although I had my UVM ID and my pottery membership card, my name was not on the all-important list. This meant that the work-study behind the desk would not give me the key.

Without the key, I would not be able to amuse myself this evening. They said to come back tomorrow, and that there was nothing they could do.

But having done my work early

with the sole intention of going to the studio and covering myself with clay, I had nothing to do. So I went straight to the library to write this opinion piece.

The University has big plans to build more dorms and more parking lots, so to be able to handle more students on campus. Perhaps they should focus more of their energy (and money) on helping the students already here.

If they try to lay some crap on you like "There aren't enough rooms on campus and not enough parking lots for the people already here," you should respond by saying "That's your fault. Just grant admission to fewer people and make this place a better for us."

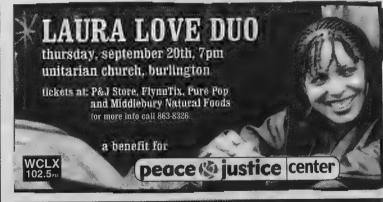
When I arrived at UVM, I was an optimistic person. I had a very positive outlook on life and my attitude towards most everything was energetic. In the past few years, my understanding of life has changed drastically to the point where I'd rather just be alone than to be with all you weirdoes.

I find myself applying to graduate school and I look forward to the day when I leave Burlington. To all of you who have many years ahead of you here, here is my advice.

Speak up and do what you want to do.

If the University won't let you, change the policy and make this place better for yourself.

Jason Sobel Class of 2002







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R.O.T.C. Program Instills Discipline, Builds Character



Jennifer Jennett/VC Staff Majors, lieutenants and sergeants from UVM's R.O.T.C. program at the Military

Formal and Scholarship Banquet last May.

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in the US Army or eight years of duty in the Army Reserves. Ultimately, the goal of the R.O.T.C. program is to teach students leadership skills they will carry with them for the rest of their lives."The R.O.T.C. program is for personal leadership development," said LTC Al Turgeon. "It is a chance to make mistakes and learn from

them in a positive environment where there is coaching and mentoring every step of the way to develop into a good, young leader that will be a value to any organization after graduation."

"Cadets are scholars, athletes, leaders," Turgeon said. "I think they want to belong to something that has value to their community, their country and to learn about leadership."

UVM Ranks 44 Among Public Universities

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school class rose. The gap between UVM's predicted (58 percent) and actual (67 percent) six-year graduation rate also rose this year, a statistic designed to measure how well an institution does graduating students given both its financial resources and the academic ability of students as measured by SAT scores.

"Whether or not U.S. News' college rankings issue is a reliable measure of an institution's quality is an open question, but there's no doubt the magazine is used by parents and students to make a rough sort of colleges early in the process," said Interim President Edwin I.Colodny.

"We'll continue to focus on providing UVM students with a quality academic experience."

-University Communications

Reputation and Academics Top Colodny's Agenda

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open forums. "Forums ought to be open to students to do that," he said, "but not use the campus as the scene which draws the university into the controversy as being the host of an illegal activity."

With the image of UVM as a party school still very much alive, Colodny believes the power to change the institution is in the hands of its student body.

"I think that it's in the students' interest to be thought of as attending a university where academics is the priority, not partying," Colodny said. "That's not to say that students shouldn't have fun while they are in college. They should have fun. It's a matter of perspective and degree."

Colodny is confident that in addition to improving the University's image, the school is making steps toward promoting diversity. "We are making progress," he said, most notably this year from "students joining us from Christopher Columbus High School in the Bronx."

President Colodny went on to stress the importance of attracting top-ranking students, particularly those from the state of Vermont. Recently implemented programs such as the new Green and Gold scholarships have positively contributed to this effort.

"The best thing that we can do to keep attracting top quality Vermont students is to ensure that they understand just how good this university is and that it's an academic institution with an excellent faculty," he said. Students should leave

'I think it's in the students' interest to be thought of attending a university where academics is the priority, not partying.'

> **Edwin Colodny UVM Interim President**

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Blender Offers Smooth Mix of Reggae and Hip Hop



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Artist Barbara Zucker Captures Hidden Beauty of Facial Wrinkles

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There will be a reception for

Barbara Zucker Exhibit Amy E. Tarrant Gallery Flynn Center Sept. 8 - Oct. 13

Zucker on Thursday, Oct. 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Gallery.

The Gallery is an extension of the Flynn lobby open to the public on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and during intermissions of performances.

Entitled 'Universal Lines,' the exhibit is about 'fhe wrinkles in faces that, like the patterns of rivers snaking through the earth's surface, show the passage of time.'

These delicate sculptures are drawn from the pattern of facial

wrinkles and laugh lines of women Zucker admires, with a particular tribute to her friend and neighbor Lillian Carlisle.

A sculptor, UVM faculty member, and co-founder of AIR (the first women's gallery in the U.S.), Zucker is represented in the permanent collections of the Whitney Museum and the Brooklyn Museum.

Her work has included exquisitely simplified and fragmented depictions of the body.

Amy Ingrid Schlegal in her article "Beauty Myths" in Sculpture writes, "Barbara Zucker's success lies in her ability to make us chuckle while recognizing our complicity in the beauty myth."

The beautifully executed work in this exhibit is elegant in its minimalism and abstract delicacy- both humorous and tender in spirit- yet utterly serious on another level.

Biscuits Light Up Higher Ground



Courtesy Photo

The Disco Biscuits, who frequent the Burlington area, played at Higher Ground last Thursday.

By DAN HORSTKOTTE

The Disco Biscuits brought their own vision of jam band music to Higher Ground in Winooski Thursday, Sept. 6. Much of the crowd from the Zen Tricksters show the previous night reappeared for the Biscuits and discovered a similar performance magic.

The Biscuits have their own unique style: a blend of hard rock, techno, groove and funk. Combined with quirky lyrics and an impressive light show, The Disco Biscuits are worth the tickets.

The band kicked off with their hit song, "Confrontation," with drummer Sam Altman and bassist Marc Brownstein setting down a hard groove with typical flavor.

Keyboardist Aron Magner brought forth his dragon slaying effort with "Spaga" and the crowd erupted. "Spaga" easily took honors as best song of the night. Disco Biscuit's style blends hard rock, techno, groove and funk.

The incredible lighting enhanced the scene, creating an alternate universe between the band and hundreds of people dancing on the floor.

The first set ended with parts of "Sound One" sandwiched between the beginning and end of "Bernstein and Chasnoff."

The band returned from the break and turned things up with an amazing version of "Magellan."

Shelby Rose was outstanding with Brownstein keeping time with his head, like he had been doing all night long.

"Floodlights Into Hope," the end of the set, really did keep everyone hoping the song would go on.

Pushing close to the 2 a.m. curfew, the Biscuits came out for one more tune: "Coat."

Fans left the smoky venue with beats still echoing in their ears.

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Catamount Sports

A Big Mac and Broken Record



Ben Dickie, Cynic Sports Columnist

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Three years ago, I remember first moving into Harry-Milly as a freshman at UVM.

I knew only one person on my hall and was a bit shy about going out and leaching on to a group of people to pretend I had friends.

Then one night, something happened. My roommate and I were sitting at home frustrated that our television wasn't getting any reception.

History was in the making and we felt we were being shortchanged.

Big Mac was playing and there was a chance he was going to smack number 62 out of the park.

After toying with the antenna, we finally found a television that back? I'll let you decide.

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had Fox in just clearly enough so we could see the game.

Eight of us were gathered around a television - some complete strangers. McGuire was at the plate. We were staring at a fuzzy 13-incher.

A pitch came in and he ripped probably his weakest shot of the year down the line.

He delivered nonetheless, shattering a record that had stood for over 30 years.

In unison, eight of us rose to our feet and exchanged high

We had known each other for about an hour but you'd have thought we were best friends. Never again did we think we'd witness a similar event in our lives. Boy, were we wrong.

Not only would Big Mac break it with number 62, but would go on to hit 70.

Now, 70 is in danger. A homerun battle that had long been between McGuire and Sosa now includes Barry Bonds.

Bonds, whose career high before this year was 49, has just clubbed number 60.

I would love to see Bonds break the record, but it just won't be the same. Records nowadays don't have the same meaning.

For example, Emmitt Smith is rapidly approaching Walter Payton's record for all-time rushing yards in NFL history.

Does that make Smith a better

Crimson Down Catamounts 3-1

Women Fall Short Despite Solid Performance in Net

Sophomore Mina Pell scored twice to lead the Harvard field hockey team to a 3-1 victory over Vermont in the Crimson's season opener.

Women's Field Hockey

Pell's first tally came less than two minutes into the game, converting a feed from teammate Philomena Gambale. Catamounts answered with a goal from sophomore Katie Henry to knot the game up 1-1 with 7:05 left in the first half. However, Pell would strike again, following up her own rebound with less than five minutes left in the half to give Harvard a 2-1 lead at the break.

Harvard took a 3-1 lead early in the second half on a goal from Tiffany Egnczyk at 32:52. Harvard (1-0) outshot Vermont 20-7 in the contest. Junior goaltender Holly Colberg registered 10 saves, while Katie Zacarian made just one stop for Harvard to pick up the win.

-Sports Info

Catamounts Winless at Smith Barney, Look to Rebound **Against Harvard**

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span of 442 shutout minutes. For the second straight day, UVM had several splendid scoring opportunities but was unable to convert.

But Ruggi was, nodding one in from five yards out after a great left-to-right cross from Oscar Cantu, and the Crusaders held on down the stretch for the win.

Vermont had a last great chance to force overtime with one minute to go as Jason Allen, who poked the ball free in a goalmouth scramble, shot wide from point blank range.

Kevin Baker finished with three saves for Holy Cross (2-1-0) in posting his first shutout of the season.

Freshman keeper David Sullivan, who until the second half had not allowed a goal over the last 278 minutes, made six stops for Vermont (1-2-1).

The Crusaders' standout back, Rusty Giudici earned the Smith Barney Defensive MVP and he

Men's Soccer

was joined on the all-tournament by teammates Pat team Montgomery and Paul Kitson. A pair of Catamount backs, David Said and Jonny Cowan, also earned all-classic honors.

Vermont resumes play today taking on Harvard in Boston at 3

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UVM Community Responds to Crisis

A Struggle for Focus in the Wake of Terrorism

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE



Andy Duback/VC Staff UVM Interim President Edwin Colodny speaks at Ira Allen Chapel during last week's memorial service.

Following last Tuesday's attacks, administrators, faculty and students have struggled to maintain their focus amidst images of lost citizens and clouded piles of rubble.

Unlike UVM, many schools across the nation canceled classes in order to help students cope with missing friends and family members, as well as with the reality of a terrorist assault.

At UVM, classes went on as

scheduled, although many seemed deserted and somber. Interim President Edwin Colodny issued a statement on the main campus webpage and to all registered zoo e-mail users.

In his statement, Colodny said, "I believe it is in the best interest of maintaining as much calm as possible that classes and other scheduled activities go on as planned."

While this idea worked for some, many professors felt the need to let students go early or even cancel classes on Wednesday.

Even a week after the tragedy, UVM students are still trying to find ways to focus on schoolwork and pay attention in class. Abu Rizvi, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said it's more of a balancing act these days, "doing what you need to do with work, but taking time out to absorb and reflect on what's going on."

Nonetheless, some students are still finding it almost impossible

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Attacks Leave Campus Divided

UVM junior Todd Zamzow gives blood on Saturday at the University Mall.

Along with most of the nation, the UVM community spent most of last Tuesday crowded around the television or the radio.

By KRISTIN DOBBS

The comments changed slowly from, "Oh, this is horrible" to "What's going to happen now?" As the nation starts the slow path to recovery, people shift their focus to the consequences of the terrorist attacks.

Although Burlington is 300 miles from Manhattan, the social conscience of UVM has been awakened.

People are openly expressing their views on what should happen in the next week, month, year. Debates spread from classrooms to the lines at Alice's to the campus shuttle.

"The more there is a possibility of war, the more there will be polarization between those who are pro-war and those who want peace," said first-year Joanna Petticord.

"There is no justifying what was done, and when we find out who did it, we don't need to kill anyone. There doesn't need to be a war."

Petticord is part of the group formerly named Students for Global Justice, but has been changed to Faculty and Students for Peace and Global Justice in light of

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Channel 12 Brings Tragedy Home to Campus Community

By SETON MANGINE

When UVM junior Nick Haggerty woke up on Tuesday, he could hardly have imagined his next assignment for UVM's Channel 12.

In response to Tuesday's tragedy, Haggerty, and UVM students Jadah Rauchwerk and Geoff McDonald immediately started putting together a short video. It includes comments from SGA president Bill Tickner, and the Cynic's Editor-in-Chief, Lee Higgins, as well as partial news broadcasts and footage of UVM students.

Channel 12 also broadcast important phone numbers for the Counseling Center and Red Cross. The terrorism teach-in on Friday will be broadcast early this week along with documentaries on terrorism and other related

tonics

"(It's) good to get away from the media perspective and have a more personal response," said junior Jocelyn Fletcher.

A station that shows mostly movies, Channel 12 has a core of students that create and air programming on a regular basis.

The station has never before had to respond to a news event in the way it did last week. As a result of the experience, Channel 12 is going to attempt to have a weekly news show.

The UVM community needs to come together in this crisis," Haggerty said. "Channel 12 is an important medium to help unite the campus in a time like this. We need to get information out to students about where they can get assistance and how they canhelp."

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Some at UVM Hear the Call for Duty

Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

By DAN McCLUSKEY

Members of the University community are doing everything in their power to help in the wake of last Tuesday's tragic events. For some, help takes the

'I do not recommend leaving college to enlist.'

LTC Al Turgeon US Army

form of retribution through military service.

Lieutenant Colonel Al Turgeon, professor of military studies at UVM; said he has seen "a patriotic movement on campus to consider serving in the military," since the terrorist assault.

Turgeon has been in contact with several UVM students interested in both the R.O.T.C. program as well as general military enlistment.

For these individuals, pursuing a military avenue is possible, though Turgeon explains "I do not recommend leaving college to enlist."

He emphasizes the importance of education and suggests that those who are interested explore the option of R.O.T.C. while continuing their academic pursuits.

"Don't panic" advises LTC Turgeon with education in mind, "and think through your decisions."

UVM senior Bob Burke has given serious consideration to joining the Army National Guard for sometime and, in light of recent events, has pursued

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Students Struggle With Psychological Repercussions



Andy Duback/VC Staff A couple embraces after departing from Wednesday's memorial service at Ira

By JENNIFER JENNETT

Allen Chapel.

Certified counselors at the UVM Center for Health and Wellbeing provide confidential services for UVM staff, faculty, and students.

In response to the recent tragedies in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania, counselors have attempted to reach out to the UVM campus like never before.

The Center offers individual counseling, group counseling, crisis intervention, outreach services, testing services, and referral services.

On staff are seven licensed mental health counselors and 16-18 counselors in training.

Kay Francis Shepp, the director of the UVM Center for Health and Wellbeing stresses the diversity of responses.

"There is no one voice that's right for our students," she explained.

According to Shepp, emergencies may initially break down social barriers when people seek solace, but misunderstandings often result because people misinterpret the responses of others.

In light of recent tragedies, counselors focus on being outlets for

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Making Meaning From Tragedy

We came to UVM for an education, and we've gotten one. This campus has learned more from Tuesday's tragedies than we have in the entire first month of classes.

While UVM has been subject to criticism about our precarious balance between studying and partying, last week our university responded with a sharpness and maturity as serious as the nature of the incidents, proving we have what a university truly needs in a time of crises.

We have endured pain and supported each other in such a way that critics could have never predicted.

We have the capacity to become a powerful force in fighting hatred both locally and internationally. We may be able to speed the healing process of this nation.

Our community is not a center of the action, in that our physical landscape remains intact. However, our mental landscape has been forever altered, in part because the country just feels smaller.

This incident brings our community together in a diverse setting, but it also shows we can connect with other people all over the nation and around the world. Our actions are as important as anyone else's.

We have also learned you don't need to know someone personally to want to protect him or her.

We have all been touched by stories of heroism and the dramatic accounts from survivors.

We have learned that every power can be humbled. Despite our previous beliefs, we have never been immune to incidents such as these and we may never be again.

We have heard a range of views presented in numerous gatherings in the past week. We must begin to understand that these disagreements--and there will be many more in the days to come--are integral outlets for expression and, eventually, for progress.

Political discussion is natural and beneficial. However, without a basic knowledge of sev-

eral points of view and respect for all individuals involved, arguments go nowhere.

Debates and decisions will never be limited to Washington D.C. Right now, politics affect our daily lives in ways that we can not ignore. We must each take the time to think through these issues, not merely in terms of how they affect us but as they affect billions of people throughout the world.

No country has a stainless history. We need to accept the fact that we have and will make mistakes. Our country is not one in which sadness and tears are encouraged or accepted. This is changing. We challenge you, our readers, to keep the memory of so many innocent people in your hearts as a source of inspiration during the hardest discussions and toughest realizations of your life. May this memory guide us in our efforts to improve the future.

The mainstream media brought this tragedy into our houses and offices. We, the editors of *The Vermont Cynic*, have attempted in this issue to focus on the UVM community's response to Tuesday's life altering events. We echo the voices of students, administrators, faculty and staff in hopes of finding ways to move forward. We share this array of voices to urge you to consider the validity of responses throughout the world.

Our task is to help our community understand the role we play in the crisis at hand. We must know what the loss means to us all before we can judge where to go from here.

This issue is not about summarizing events, presenting facts, making a time line. There will be no bloody pictures, no horrifying accounts. This issue is not a call for war or a prayer for peace.

This issue traces our search for meaning and comfort in the wake of the violent incidents that occured last week.

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Attacks End Innocence, Age a Generation

BY KATE NICHOLS

that sunny morning of Sept. 11, 2001, I checked out the Daily Show, and nodded my head along with John Stewart that our nation's president was a moron. I then moved on to the "real" news to see if this weather would last, but the shocking and horrific images that appeared instead did not seem real at all.

Opinion

As Twin Towers, crumpled before my and the nation's eyes, it became clear, from the smoke and rubble, that the world's political climate was no longer predictable.

I walked to class with what felt like the burden of the universe on my shoulders. Campus was eerily silent, and fellow students were zombie-like, transfixed by the horror that unraveled on televisions in Billings.

"Numbness," "Disbelief," "Outrage" were words in the air to describe the un-describable. There was urgency amongst all to hear the voices of loved ones and the frustrated cries of those whose cell phones could supply no answer.

For those fortunate enough to have no direct links to the Trade center or Pentagon, there was profound heart-break and worry as fates universally trembled with uncertainty. Our very foundation crumbled beneath us taking with it innocence and security. Hours of witnessing devastation unfold aged our generation, like only years can.

When we considered our classes and assignments, they seemed a lifetime away from our thoughts and priorities. Confusion as to what was expected of us, miles away from immediate danger, ensued. Our hearts and minds were with loved ones and strangers and yet classes were not called off?

I was astonished that scheduled activities were to go on as planned, that we would not be allowed appropriate time to grieve for our nation and demonstrate our respect. While many classes were cancelled and extensions given on an individual basis, it was wrong to make students choose between their country and their math homework, the death of thousands or a Spanish lab.

Stated in President Colodny email to students was the hope that there were no personal losses at the University of Vermont, but was this tragedy not a personal loss for all? Looking to our country's president for strength and guidance, the declaration "I will hunt down and punish [whoever did this]" also failed to comfort.

Rubble and Bush's speach made it clear that our world's political climate was no longer stable

For while it seems wrong to go on normally when our whole sense of normalcy has been attacked, it seems equally wrong to let our anger steer our reason. We must take time to heal before we inflict further injury.

Students Reflect During Time of Crisis

BY RUBY FERM

This is a moment in time like the devastation that occurred on Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2001, that should make us all aware of who matters most.

I'm sure I've just stated the obvious, but perhaps I should re-emphasize the fact that it is who matters most, not what. It's those people you thought of first to check on, to make sure if they were okay, even if they don't live in New York City, or Washington D.C., or weren't scheduled to fly on a plane; we all checked anyway, just to know everything was okay.

Our lives go on, but distracted, saddened, and angry

Although it affected some in much more profound ways than others, for all of us in the nation, that moment on Tuesday was life-altering.

I call the act of terrorism committed a moment because it was one, just as or entire lives are an assembly of moments: good and bad, ordinary and spectacular, unnoticed and heartbreaking.

Perhaps this is the hardest part about what happened: time has moved on, already.

Life did not stop, the world has continued to turn, and it took only that moment for our grip on reality to slip, to change.

I think we all expected to be able to stop, to hold our breath, until each

person had been accounted for, each question was answered, and each story of the World Trade Center had been rebuilt.

Opinion

Instead we have to go about our daily lives, almost as we had before, but distracted, saddened, and angry.

Time has moved on, and we are bitter about it, yet at the same time, relieved.

I know my life will continue on in its same, leisurely pace, regardless of how much it has changed, how much my sense of the world is now different.

As time trundles on, we will settle back into some form of a "normal" lifestyle again. But the moment will not go by forgotten, by anyone.

If I have learned anything from this horrific tragedy, it is that certain peo-

Remember who matters most: who did you call first and how fast can you get to them?

ple in my life mean more to me than I had ever realized.

This Tuesday made it perfectly clear to me who I feel I could not live without. I wanted to run, walk, or swim (notice I left out fly) to them, regardless of what differences we may have had in the past.

War or Peace: How to Proceed?

BY BRANDON JOHNSON

Unimaginable, unjustifiable, horrid, the tragedy on Tuesday was the worst of a generation. The world will never be the same.

However, this horror does not necessitate the escalated horrors of war. We have the power and the obligation to turn this tragedy towards positive change: peace not war.

The right wing of America is already on the attack. Calls for war abound. Vengeance, Vengeance, Vengeance, is the sentiment.

The result: kids from Plattsburgh are holding banners begging "Nuke 'em", the internet rages with calls to setup World War II style internment camps. Americans of Arab decent are being pulled out of their cars and beaten. Marchers in Chicago chanted 'Kill all Arabs." Reports of Anti-Arab American attacks flood in.

And while the US press focuses on the isolated few Palestinians in refugee camps who celebrate America's wound, the profound feeling in the Middle East is one of mutual condemnation of the attack. Yassar Arafat gave blood to help. Easterly, Pakistan commits to cooperation. Jordan is on board.

We actually do have a chance, right here, right now, to build a more peaceful world.

And Afghanistan? First, the US set up the Taliban. Second, get the terrorists absolutely so not let any more innocent civilians perish.

Let us remember, while there is no justification for this act, there is a history. For a great number of years now the west has gripped the Middle East, bleeding out its oil. The handful of Palestinians first cheered the attacks did so because it is American guns and tanks that have rolled through their homes. Most Palestinians, however, are now terrified that those tanks will roll faster.

However, the hope that arises from this tragedy is a great one. The investigation has the potential be a landmark in cooperation between American, European, and Middle Eastern governments. Such cooperation could begin a reevaluation of the way in which the economic and political confrontations are handled in the region. We actually do have a chance, right here, right now, to build a more peaceful world.

The right wing only wants war and the curtailment of civil liberties in the name of securing a world they are consistently making more desperately dangerous. We as citizens must stop them. On one last note, this action had absolutely nothing to do with the global justice movement; it was its antithesis. We remain completely confident that another world is possible, maybe even more necessary than ever. We are for peace now and the conditions for a sustainable peace.

Cynic columnist Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

BY PETER J. MORRISON

Confusion, fear, disbelief, sadness, and anger. These are emotions that the violent acts of the terrorists have summoned in the spirit of the American people.

This attack which resulted in the destruction of the World Trade Center, part of the Pentagon, and in the death and injury of thousands of victims, was not, as many have framed it, an attack like that at Pearl Harbor. It was not the first act in a war; it was quite simply the most violent and bloody attack in the war that many extremist Muslims have viewed themselves in for

Either you will help us exterminate terrorists from the face of the earth or you will be on the side of terrorists and you will be our enemy.

Osama bin Laden and the like have launched a Jihad, a "holy war" against the United States and everything that we stand for. These terrorists have not accomplished their goal; they have killed a number of our citizens, but they have awaken the sleeping giant that is the American people's will to fight.

The white hot anger that many of us feel is tempered by the knowledge that we will prevail, that we must prevail, because the dream that is America cannot be vanquished by terror, our spirit endures and we will do what we must.

We must be patient however, because the war that is to come will not be fought by half measures. We will not use cruise missile strikes; we will not only assemble a coalition of support, but we will use overwhelming force against terrorists, their organizations and the states that support or harbor them.

We are an enraged nation. Our spirit endures and our anger is tempered by the knowledge that we will prevail, that we must prevail because the dream that is America cannot be vanquished by

It is time for the global community to choose sides--either you will help or support us exterminate terrorists from the face of the earth or you will be on the side of terrorists and you will be out enemy.

We are an enraged nation, and along with the rest of the world community, and the terrorists and their supporters will feel our wrath.

The words of Senator John McCain should stand as a notice to those who have done harm to America and her citizens: "We are coming after you. God may have mercy on you, but we

Peter J. Morrison is a member of the Class of

Don't Turn Tragedy into War

To the Editor:

As people have grappled with the enormity of the human losses in the attacks of New York and Washington, D.C., George W. Bush and his government have beat the drum for even more death and destruction. They are trying to use a horrific tragedy to advance their own agenda--war abroad and a crackdown on civil liberties at

Join us in a discussion about how these attacks took place and how to keep our politicians from exploiting this tragedy for their own purposes.

The International Socialist Organization and Students for Peace and Global Justice will meet on Wednesday, September 19 at

Try to End Hate **BY MICAH JACOBS**

The United States as well as the whole world witnessed Hate on the steel wings of the ill fated United and America Airlines planes leveling the World trade center, sending shockwaves down the spine of America's back.

Now our country is reeling with sadness and a new fear. Onlookers such as myself are left wondering if anything is safe anymore, and wary of how we can protect ourselves. We are left wondering where this onslaught of loathing for the United States could have come from,. We are questioning overzealous religious tyrants, just as we question ourselves.

The innocent people that were killed were not international bullies, but hard-working Americans. The importance of this gruesome event shows everyone that life is very precious, and that the problems we create for ourselves pale in significance to this kind of catastrophe.

Our country has been challenged, and I feel that we must pull together and support one another, and stop the hate that leads to crimes such as these. We must try to realize what is truly important. I have faith in my country and pray that we will do the best thing.

Micah Jacobs Class of 2002

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Citizens Must Aid War Effort: Become the Next Great Generation

By SEAN PATRICK BURKE

The best-selling book *The*Greatest Generation depicted the heroic efforts of the men and women who served their country in World War Two. In the face of unspeakable horror, they assembled and proved that America was a nation built upon principals that, when needed, would be defended to the very end. They did defend our nation, and the world, and when it was over they returned to their well deserved heroes welcomes.

An act as terrible as the destruction of thousands of lives demands action. A belief in pacifism should not hold us back.

Now we face a new evil, using different methods and speaking a different language. Should the same methods of elimination of evil be applied?

At the UVM teach-in on September 14, three main ideas clashed-- the idea of peace above all and the idea that justice must be served to those who committed the Tuesday Atrocities & those who supported them.

These conflicts have left many people confused and unable to make up their minds. Perhaps a compromise is in order.

I am a peaceful person-- I do not like the idea of war. However, when an act so terrible as the destruction of thousands of lives for unexplained reasons occurs, action is needed.

I'm not turning in my
Amnesty International card just
yet, but I think that a belief in
pacifism should not hold us
back, just as the anger should not
throw us too far forward, or
make us jump to conclusions.

On Tuesday, I skipped my first class here at UVM--American Politics. I wasn't going out to have fun; I was waiting to give blood.

I waited five long hours to do

what many people never really think about all that much. I had given before, but it never seemed

We must stand by each other in solidarity. Any acton --giving blood, volunteering, joining the service--all make a difference.

so important as it did then.

At the Red Cross, I saw many people my age waiting their turn; they could have been relaxing, studying, or watching the news, but instead they made the decision to do something about what happened that day.

My brother, Tyler J. Burke, and his fiancée, Dezire Hummel, are both serving our country in the Vermont Army National Guard; so is my high school friend Dave Stebbins.

They are currently activated, awaiting word about where they will go should war happen. I am anxious for their safety, but also proud that they are ready and willing to take on this immense task.

Should we all go to war?

No. Not everyone is meant to go out and fight. But we all have the opportunity to do something great in this time of need. We

Our soldiers demonstrate great courage and dedication. Who else is willing to take on this immense task?

must stand by each other in solidarity.

Blood donors, soldiers, and volunteers—they are all part of our generation, a generation that is being given an opportunity to be great.

Let's see if we've got what it

Sean Patrick Burke is layout editor at the Cynic and a member of the Class of 2004.

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Sports World Makes Right Choice

By BEN DICKIE

In the past week America has gone through a series of awful events, the magnitude of which has never been seen in this country. Everyone in the United States has had their lives changed forever because of what occurred in New York City and our nations capital. The terrorist attacks on our country have made everyone step back and realize what is really important. Much has been put into perspective as we look to try to keep our chins up and regroup.

The United States has been shaken but will not be broken. At this time it is difficult to think about anything but what has occurred and the many families out there mourning loss of loved ones.

The world of sports has found itself in a dilemma of sorts, pondering if games should go on. This far from America's biggest concern, but for some, sports function as an outlet through which to take their minds off everything that has happened, at least for a few hours.

I can definitely understand both sides of the story. Though I usually don't watch the news, I now find that I can't take e my eyes off it. I watch the coverage to 8 hours a day and constantly check the web for updates and more details.

But at the same time there are more important issues than this, mainly safety. Athletes were not going to be very anxious to board plains and fly cross-country to compete this past weekend. Some will probably never want to step on a plane again.

Then you have the thought of some NFL and college football games drawing 40,000-100,000 people in such a condensed area. If you think that what has taken place was huge, with estimates of the death toll rising around

20,000, imagine how easily it would be to totally wipe out a whole stadium just like that.

Major League Baseball was first to step forward and cancel their games for the rest of the week. College football soon had much of the same idea, except there is no commissioner or centralized body with the power to shut down all the games. Conferences and school presidents hold control in college football. Some schools right away decided to cancel or postpone their games, while others wanted to continue on. Finally all came to a consensus and decided that it was not safe to play, and all games were called off.

We have been shaken but it will not be broken. The games will go on, but for now, our thoughs are with larger concerns.

Last to decide to shut down was the NFL. It took until Thursday morning for the league to finally choose to not play-- the first time it has ever cancelled a whole slate of games. A big part of this decision hinged on the fact that three of the home games this past weekend were to be played in Washington, Pittsburgh and just across the boarder from New York, in New Jersey.

Fan support would have taken a hit as well, especially for the Giants game. It was said that from the stadium you could see the huge cloud of smoke making its way up from NYC.

Games are scheduled to pick up back from where they left off beginning next week, but until then America's thoughts will continue to be elsewhere, where they should be.

Ben Dickie is a Cynic Sports Columnist and a member of the Class of 2002.

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Growing Number of Students Seek Peace For Campus and Nation

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last week's events.

Petticord and others used last Friday's teach-in on international terrorism in Ira Allen Chapel as a forum to present their views.

Professors from the Political

'The country needs to wage war - wage war on the terrorist and the countries which aid them.

Robert Kaufman Political Science Professor

Science Department and History Department spoke on the issues on hand and what they think the government and nation should do.

"The country needs to wage war - wage war on the terrorists and the countries which aid them," said Political Science Professor Robert Kaufman in his speech.

"We need, and we will get a declaration of war, and this administration should punish the terrorists and the countries at fault."

Tensions grew heavily during the question and answer session following the professors' speech-

"I mourn for those in the WTC attack, but also mourn...for the 100 Palestinians killed.." said one student.

"I'm worried about the Arabs and the Muslims in the U.S.," He was quickly shot down with one professor yelling for him to "Sit Down!" before he was able to ask a question, envoking yells and



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Students express their concern at Friday's peace rally on Waterman Green.

'Americans want blood for

blood. War is inevitable.' Greg Allard

Class of 2005 cheers from the crowd.

"Why has this become a pep rally?" one woman asked.

She asked the audience if they too were feeling frustrated from the lack of sensitivity that some members of the panel were show-

Part of the audience agreed with her, while others thought that emotion is only a natural reaction to this situation.

At a peace rally held immediately following the teach-in, young and old alike expressed their sentiments for the teach-in and the issue at large.

Thoughts that the panel was all

for war and the teach-in wasn't effective mixed with ideas of bringing the 60's peace movement back to UVM.

Although not everyone agreed on what should happen, most believed that action is going to be taken, and will be taken in the near

"Americans want blood for blood. War is inevitable," said first-year Greg Allard.

"I don't think the division between peace and war will become violent here though at UVM. I think everyone has seen too much violence already."

Channel 12 Offers Campus Coverage

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Channel 12 plans to continue news coverage of the aftermath of last Tuesday's events and remain an open forum for student opinion and information.

Any students interested in helping, submitting their own work or sharing their suggestions should contact the station at 656-8192, or email uvmtv@uvm.edu. "Channel 12 is a place for everyone," said Rauchwerk, also

a junior at UVM. "People don't realize just how easy it is. This is the advantage of having an independent television station, where students have the opportunity to connect with

others, by their own design."

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Students Consider Military Service Following Attack

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that option. Bob says that he now has "a feeling of helplessness" because of the bombings on U.S.

Senior Myles McClanahan is considering military service for the first time as a result of Tuesday's tragedy.

He recalls the 1995 bombing of Oklahoma City Federal

Building where 168 lives were cut

An Oklahoma native, Myles found many of feelings of anger and pain resurface with last week's acts of terrorism.

"I felt disturbed and just plain pissed," he said. "Not only that people could do something like this but that they could instill in their children that it is cause for celebration."

SGA Closes To Honor National Day of Mourning

By LAURA MATTISON

Down in the depths of the basement in Billings last Friday, a group of students surrounded a television.

The Student Government Association closed its doors that day to take a moment out of everyday life for the National Day of Mourning. SGA President Bill Tickner thought this was the least he could do.

"I wish they had canceled class today on the National Day of Mourning," he said. "So we closed when the rest of the school didn't."

Tickner felt many students did not know how to respond to the events of last week's crisis.

He saw that they needed a time when they could acknowledge and reflect all together at the same time and the same place. The memorial service was one such opportunity for reflection, according to Tickner, who thought the outcome was very positive.

"I don't blame the University for not canceling classes on the day that it all happened because they just didn't know what to do," he

UVM Community Looks For Focus Amidst Tragedy

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to write essays and study for upcoming exams.

Kay Francis Shepp, Director of the UVM Center for Health and Well Being, understands what students are going through: "I'm kind of a natural optimist, but I know that people aren't made of metal."

And though students trying hard to get back to their normal routines, Shepp believes that the anxiety students are feeling is far from over. "I think we're going to see the stress in October and November when students are behind for midterms" she said.

For many, the world seems a never-ending whirlpool of chaos right now. The task is to figure out where to go from here.

"As citizens, we all engaged in the work of moving forward," said John Gennari, assistant professor of English and A.L.A.N.A studies.

Anne Waring, a UVM freshman, agrees. "As a country, we need to

'I think everyone is still in a state of shock; we're coming out of a cloud. We're still too close to the incident.'

> Chief Gary Margolis **UVM Police Services**

move past this" she said.

"This is disgusting, but we need to carry on as much as possible. The worst thing to do is run around freaking out and shutting everything down. That's what the people who did this want to hap-

"Only time will tell how our wounds heal and when we will be able return to our daily routines," UVM Police Chief Gary Margolis said. "I think everyone is still in a state of shock; we're coming out of a cloud. We're still too close to the incident. In the meantime, we need to allow ourselves to continue to put gas in our cars, to buy groceries, to live our lives. Most importantly, now is a good time to appreciate each other immensely."

Counseling Center Helps Students Cope

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student expression.

Counselors listen to the issues students bring up but also try to help them see that they may not even realize how their lives are being affected.

According to Shepp, during the initial shock it is natural to behave differently.

However, if sleeping, eating and socializing patterns continue to be inconsistent or people find themselves vulnerable to other problems, they should look into asking for help from friends or professional counselors.

"It's actually a strength to get things out of your system quicker and deal with emotions rather than just gut it out on your own

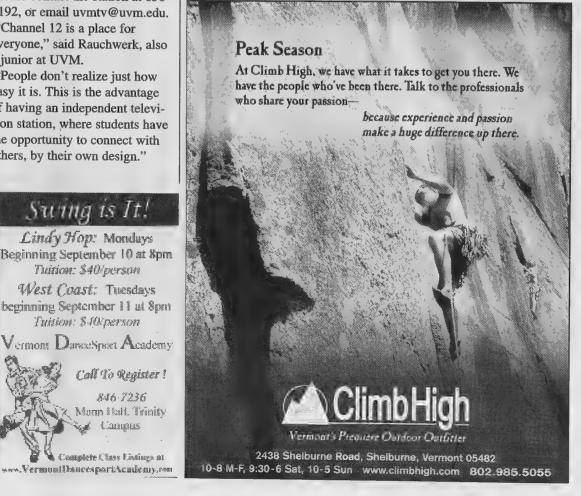
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and go on like nothing happened," she said.

For some, problems may show up in October and November as students scramble to catch up for midterms.

Director of Student Life Pat Brown and UVM faculty are attempting to understand how they are finding solace in order to make assumptions about how they can help students.

He described the constant emotional ups and downs as "these weird waves you don't necessarily have control of...and [are] tough to deal with."



UVM Speaks

Where Are We Going?

It's traumatizing to me because the indefinite future feels like it's in turmoil.

Anna Solvell Class of 2005

Open Your Eyes

It's finally opening Americans' eyes up to what's been going on around the world that we haven't been forced to deal with until now, and I think it's going to make everyone a lot more careful.

Suzanne Shah-Hosseini

Suzanne Shah-Ho Class of 2004

Overwhelming Fear

I guess the first thing I'm thinking about is war, and I have a son who's 21, and he might have to go. My first reaction...I cried. I had an overwhelming fear. I used to work in that area at one time in my life and I can't imagine being there..everything torn up in the place. I can't imagine what people are going through.

Maria Charconneau Cashier, Bagel Express

Freedom is Priceless

I think everyone's taken their freedom for granted, and now we can respect it a little bit better and do more to preserve it.

Dan Maddox

Dan Maddox Class of 2003

Support Our Country

This is priority number one right now. We'll get 'em. There's no doubt in my mind. Like Senator McCain said, "We're coming." We're in the military. That's our job. No one wants a war, but this has been thrust upon us. If we don't respond to it, we're not a country anymore.

Kieran O'Shea Grad Student

Vermont Air National Guard F16 Pilot in training

Wow

As an American, reality has hit me. Many take it (America) for granted. We thought we weren't doing anything wrong. It opened up my eyes. I never thought I'd experience war. Sarah Ullman

Unfairness

Violated as an American and attacked simply for being American.

Holly

We Must Retaliate

I think we need to bomb the s..t out of the enemy. Lack of something to feel important about is almost the greatest tragedy man can have.

Chad Bacarella Class of 2005

Disturbance

As an American it's opened up my eyes. I'm only 19 and I've lived a pretty comfortable life without much conflict. This has shaken my world.

Anonymous

Inevitable Change

I am worried transportation will be harder. It's hard to imagine this won't turn into a police state because to maintain freedom you need safety and security.

Adam Read Class of 2002

Response to thousand dollars on bids on ebay for Wednesday's newspaper:

I think the lack of human integrity is horrible. Who has the right to be insensitive in the face of such tragedy?

Alex Hunter Class of 2004

America the Melting Pot

Being a black American citizen, I would like to see us all come together. As a whole, we need to realize that ignorant, irrational people exist in all cultures. Those who do perform acts of terrorism should be punished. However, those ethnically and/or religiously connected cannot be blamed. Kellie Parks
Class of 2005

Can't We All Just Get Along?

You hurt my family, you know, so I'm not so sure you want to talk to me about that. Because I'm ready for an instant response...

UVM student

combat veteran

What's On Our Political Agenda?

Patriots and humanists must stand up to the terrorist threat in a reasoned and firm manner, but we must also guard against the abuses of our own leaders, elected, and in W's case, unelected, and not be drawn in by their myopic, racist, and self-interested declarations of war and blind retribution.

Lusis A Vivanco Assistant Professor Department of Anthropology

Grim Reality.

I've already lost a friend.

Anonymous

Too Close To Home

Well, my brother's probably going to war. My friend is Arabic, and the family is hiding in my hometown now.

Bethany Bartlett Class of 2005

A New Appreciation

Well my mom worked right there, and I've never been that scared in my life. She's ok. I'll definitely have a new appreciation for her when I see her again at Thanksgiving. And I still can't call downtown so I hope they get the phone lines back up. Rebecca

Class of 2004

Where's My Backyard?

I live in New York and it'll be weird to go back. The skyline's gonna be so different. It's gonna

be really weird to go back and not have the twin towers there.

Andrea

Overcome Fear

Class of 2004

We need to heighten awareness without sparking paranoia, because terrorists win when they create fear and disruption.

Gary Margolis
UVM Chief of Police

How Can We Feel Safe Anymore?

Well, I booked a flight for Italy just a couple of days ago before the tragedy and I honestly don't know how I will feel flying in an airplane after this has occurred. And I don't know how I would feel if I went up inside of a large tall building now. I think the image alone of the plane crashing into the building did enough to scare me that I just don't know how I would feel.

Andrew Sillers

Something To Remember

Personally, it's definitely going to be something that I remember for the rest of my life and I'm going to tell my kids about it. It's just a shock.

Jared Leavitt Class of 2002

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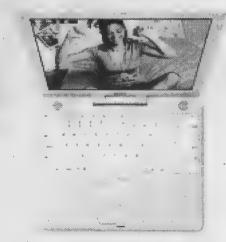
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Young and old gather in front of the Unitarian Church on Church St. in a silent protest.

James Carville to Kickoff Symposium

By KRISTIN DOBBS

James Carville has managed more political campaigns than anyone else in the U.S. On Saturday, Sept. 29, he will lead a daylong symposium on "Money and Politics: The Debate over Campaign Finance Reform."

Lawyers, professors, and members of the Vermont legislature will join Carville in the Billings Student Center in one of the 2001 George D. Aiken Lectures.

Carville will kick off the symposium at 10:30 with a speech on "American Political Campaigns and Financing.'

There will be a question and answer session immediately following.

"Carville has experience in actual politics, money, and finance," said Political Science Professor Tony Gierzynski, who 'He'll raise everyone's awareness with lively discussions.'

> Andrea Grayson **Continuing Education**

is helping to coordinate the event with Continuing Education. "[We're] very happy and lucky to have an inside perspective."

Carville has worked on many national campaigns, including helping to lead Bill Clinton to office in 1992. The American Association of Political Consultants honored him in 1993 as "Campaign Manager of the

After working with Clinton, Carville has moved on since 1992 as a political advisor for many winning campaigns for leaders in Brazil, Honduras, Ecuador, Argentina and Israel.

He's a founding member of Gould Greenville Carville/NOP, an international consulting firm; and of GCS, a political consulting firm in Israel.

"People develop a love-hate relationship with Carville," said Andrea Grayson, who is part of Continuing Education and involved with the production of this event.

"He will raise everyone's awareness with a lively discussion. He's a provocative speaker."

This is the 26th year of the Aiken Lectures, designed to be an open UVM public policy forum.

"...Bringing nationally and internationally recognized scholars and experts to UVM is part of our mission as a university," said Lynda Majarian of University Communications, helping to put on the symposium.

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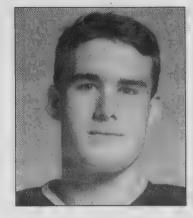
Mink Suspended Indefinitely

Hockey Prepares for BC Without Star

The men's hockey team is scheduled to begin their first official practice today without three-year letterwinner Graham Mink in the lineup.

Mink was suspended indefinitely by head coach Mike Gilligan on Friday, following an alledged assault on Sunday, Sept. 16.

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University Photography Senior forward Graham Mink

UVM Hit Across the Board From Attacks

By KRISTIN DOBBS

UVM's losses from the events of Sept. 11 have been both personal and financial. Twelve former members of the UVM community have been reported missing and presumed dead.

Among the missing are five alumni who graduated within the last three years, including Joshua Piver and Martin Niederer.

Meanwhile, the stock market repercussions of the past week prompted Vermont Governor Howard Dean to warn of "drastic cuts" in state revenues affecting all state institutions.

"It is very clear from the stock market that we could have a very substantial shortfall," said Dean in a statement in an AP story Saturday. "We are preparing for very drastic cuts."

The immediate impact on UVM may be less severe than it is on other state institutions.

"There is no real way to tell what the cuts will be," said Malcom Severance of UVM's Board of Trustees. "But every branch of government and state institution is going to take a hit."

Severance, who is a former business professor at UVM and a current member of the Vermont Legislation, believes the cuts won't be as dramatic as they seem.

"UVM gets 33 million dollars from the state each year. Let's say

'There is no real way to tell what the cuts will be.'

> Malcom Severance **UVM Board of Trustees**

there is a 10 percent cut. That would be only three million cut, and in a 300 million budget, that isn't a whole lot."

Unlike most state universities, UVM only receives 20 percent of their budget from the state government. Tuition, gifts, and grants bring in the rest of the budget.

Even if money is cut from the state, tuition rates shouldn't jump significantly. "It's our (the Board of Trustees) policy to make sure tuition doesn't increase above the inflation level. We don't want to price ourselves out of the market,"

said Severance.

"We will look within the university for programs and see what we might need to change," he said. "But we will maintain our commitment to staff, faculty and students."

'If he's gone at such a young age, it's a tragedy.'

> Joe Lefkowski Piver's uncle

But despite the present stock market, the UVM community has been paying more attention to more per-



Tim Martin/The Day Community members mourn at home for UVM alumn Piver lost in attacks.

sonal losses.

Piver, a member of the Class of 2000 at UVM, was working on the 105th floor of 1 World Trade Center in the office of Cantor Fitzgerald/Tradespark.

"He has a wonderful network of friends," uncle Joe Lefkowski told The Day paper on Sept. 14.

"Josh has been a good kid. He's done all the right things. He's been a good student and he's been good to his mom. He helped her finance this house. If he's gone at such a young age it's a tragedy."

Niederer was a securities trader for Cantor Fitzgerald, and a 1999 UVM graduate.

He played two seasons of basketball for the Catamounts, 1995-1996 and 1996-1997.

"All of us at UVM and particularly the basketball program are both devastated and terribly saddened by Marty's unfortunate loss," commented head men's basketball coach Tom Brennan...

"We will always remember that wonderful smile and we pray that God gives his family strength in this unfortunate time."

Scholar Braithwaite to Speak on Global Violence



Courtesy Photo Scholar John Braithwaite

An internationally recognized scholar and author on the subject of justice and global violence will speak at the University of Vermont on Friday, Sept. 28.

John Braithwaite, a professor at Australian National University, will deliver his remarks, "Restorative Justice and Global Violence," from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Memorial Lounge of the Waterman building. Braithwaite's

occurs, there is usually a big geo- Australian National University. political story on what the conflict means," Braithwaite said in books on criminal justice, particadvance of his UVM address.

"While this may be an important part of the picture, in fact, violence flares up as a result of sequences of little stories."

As an example, Braithwaite said an assassination of one person leads to a suicide bombing, which leads to more assassinations.

"It follows that we are not giving enough attention to how we intervene to make peace when the first assassination occurs. Restorative justice has been an important part of ending the civil war in Bougainville (New Guinea) that has cost 20,000 lives. A restorative justice approach to building world peace will be developed," he said.

Braithwaite is a professor in the

talk is free and open to the public. Law Program, Research School "When international violence of Social Sciences, at the

ularly restorative justice.

Braithwaite also has earned a number of international awards for his work on crime from the American • Society Criminology,

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Fight the War That Has Already Begun

The terrorists who hijacked four planes on Sept. 11 and crashed into the World Trade Center and the Pentagon wanted to instill fear in the American people.

They wanted to incite internal conflict, damage the economy and disrupt American society.

In certain regards, they succeeded. Some Americans turned against one another, misguided by the belief they were being patriotic.

Others thought twice about flying, while security is as tighest as its ever been. Confidence in the U.S. economy has fallen dramatically.

The lingering question is how proceed

from here.

To begin with, Americans must respect each other. That entails being tolerant of personal beliefs and forms of expression.

Secondly, Americans must continue what they do best: spend money. Purchase that airline ticket for Thanksgiving and ask for some stock for Christmas.

Finally, honor the deceased and move forward with a renewed sense of clarity.

Respect the President and stand by his decisions.

Let not internal struggles blur the commitment to national unity. May our strength of spirit prevail.

Continue Constructive Debates

As our full Opinions/Editorial pages suggest, the UVM community has clearly engaged itself in the heated political debates facing our nation following Tuesday's tragic events

We believe that this forum is absolutely essential as an outlet for expression.

We understand that many people have experienced profound personal loss as a result of the attacks and that discussions of war, patriotism and peace arouse strong feelings in people.

Though these issues are sensitive, the discussions are extremely important, but the way in which we express them must be respectful and constructive.

Our arguments must critique ideas and not the individuals who hold them.

We must reach the heart of the issues at hand and confront many difficult questions.

These questions can not be answered with superficial attacks on people holding opposing views.

Instead of acting out of frustration, sadness or anger, we must take the time to consider our positions and then support them with evidence and clear-sighted argumentation.

We, the editors of the Vermont Cynic, encourage you to respond to our views and the views of our fellow students, our university and our government.

However, in the spirit of maintaining a tolerant atmosphere, we hope that our readers can resist the temptation to attack individuals on personal grounds.

We look forward to the continuing debates. Please send your responses and letters to the Cynic office in the Basement of Billings or to kgillen@zoo.uvm.edu.

We Must Stay Educated

Political apathy has always been an issue with young adults. Even though we have the power to vote and shape our government, we often don't envoke it. We feel that our vote wouldn't make a difference or that we couldn't make an educated vote.

Although campaign finance and similiar issues don't seem important in the wake of the recent attacks, staying educated and informed is always vital.

If you don't like how certain things are done within our government, change them.

The greatest power you have is the power to be well-informed on issues that affect campaigns and the electoral process.

When you know what you agree with, you can make an educated decision on what candidate you believe in. From that point, you can support that candidate by voting for them in the local or national election.

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Your vote may determine the difference between who represents you and who doesn't.

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Students Must Respect the President

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to the recent issue regarding UVM's response to the national tragedy. I realize that the "opinion" columns are not necessarily the sentiments of the Cynic staff, but I would like to give you my reaction.

First and foremost, the opinion of the girl who called George Bush a "moron" was very irritating. I understand that your purpose was to represent reader opinions. However, readers value an educated response, from an educated student. "While watching the Daily Show..." pretty much summed up the article. "[Jon Stewart says Bush is a Moron, then so do I]." There's an educated response if I've ever heard one.

Judge how you want. If you don't like George Bush, you're entitled to your opinion, but at least convince me that the opinion is your own...not just that of Comedy Central, while continuing to call the President of the United States a moron.

I understand that many students would like to see a peaceful resolve to this situation, but this is not realistic. The writer went on to say that she was not comforted by Bush's response the attack. I think it's time to take the flower out of her hair and get real.

The United States must make a defensive stand if we are to prevent any future

I suppose we should just slap the wrists of the terrorist and simply tell them, "Please don't kill another 5,000+ innocent people," and then all will be

good.

I do not want to see anymore innocent people die, but unfortunately, the world does not work that way. It is time for people to wake up. Sure it would be nice to sit around and shake hands, smile, then go get your groove on with an intern....OH sorry, I myself should respect the Office of the President.

Finally there was the response by the Anthropology teacher, referring to "W" as a racist, and accusing him of taking action for his own personal gain. I am outraged that a member of the faculty would fire such disrespectful comments about the President at a time like this. The lack of disrespect is what really bothers me.

Not to stand behind a President in times like these is simply un-American.

Why is it that these bleeding-heart liberals must continue to be so resentful at times like this. I realize that Democrats are bitter (as reflected by the comments referring to "unelected President"), but to not stand behind our President is not just disrespectful, it is un-American.

My point is that so many people are too busy hating George Bush to realize the reality of the situation that we are in, and what realistically must be done. Strange how the OTHER 86 percent of Americans approve of his actions.

Chris Feildsend Class of 2002

Official Teach-in Biased and Incomplete

To the Editor:

In light of recent events, we, students of UVM, felt it was necessary to voice our opinions about the recent national tragedy and the subsequent University-sponsored "teach in." On Friday, Ira Allen Chapel was full with inquiring students, faculty and Vermonters who wanted to hear several views about terrorism and America's options.

Instead, we found the panel to be mostly one-sided and in favor of military action. Even during the open forum, those with opposing view points were often bombarded by angry words from not only the panel, but the majority of the audience. While the subject was highly emotional, this supposedly objective "teach-in" became a closed debate emphasizing military action.

For the majority, this issue is highly volatile because the U.S media chooses to skirt the real issue at hand; America's little known foreign policies. Instead, the media and our leaders rely on our hurt and anger to push for military action and to further their own agenda. Lately, the mainstream media have done nothing but reinforce feelings of nationalism and revenge.

Left unquestioned, this slant helps those in power push for war, spurs racism, and fools the general public.

By reacting with such hatred and retaliation, we offend the memories of those who died on September 11; we further disgrace America, and we become just like the murderous terrorists. This does not justify the terrorist's acts, but instead makes us re-evaluate ourselves, and lets us ask why someone chose to target the U.S., the land of "freedom and justice?"

There is no simple answer. While the media fans hysteria and "patriotism," we must look underneath to the real answer. In the last two decades alone, "the U.S. has launched military attacks on Grenada, Libya, Panama, Iraq, Somalia, Sudan, Afghanistan, Yugoslavia, and this does not even count wars where the U.S. backed a proxy force" (Socialist Worker, 9/14/01). The Gulf War killed as many as 200,000 Iraqis--50 times the number who died on Sept. 11--and left the country in "pre-industrial state" (United Nations Report).

This is merely a fraction of our devastating presence throughout the world, yet we choose to act as a global police force and are economically responsible for millions of deaths as well.

On top of this, the teach-in did not even mention the School of Americas in which the U.S. trains terrorists.

Or how bin Laden was trained and until 1996, took orders from the CIA.

Throughout it all, the average American citizen -who knows little to nothing about our foreign involvementis shocked and vengeful when something like Sept. 11 happens.

It is understandable, then, why Friday's teach-in was so one-sided; however, as responsible citizens, we must open our eyes to the big picture, however ugly it may be.

Therefore, do not react with more violence, but understand why this tragedy happened, and what we can do to change it.

> Kathleen Brown and Leah Burkhart Class of 2005

The Roots of Terrorism: How to Stop it?

BY BRANDON JOHNSON

Times are serious: George Bush last Thursday basically gave a blank check for indefinite war. The "war on terrorism" starts with Qaeda but does not end until "every terrorist group," and nations who provide them aid, are destroyed.

He warned of deaths to come.

But we, citizens of this world, need just as serious of a response. Bush's plan neither will end terrorism or its causes. The only casualties will be the soldiers and civilians lost on both sides.

In trying to end terrorism, Bush has become its biggest recruiter. Two people already died

Bush has issued a serious call to arms in his effort to forcibly eradicate international terrorism. We, the citizens of this world, must counter his call with an equally serious response.

in massive anti-American demonstrations in Pakistan. 10,000 rallied in Dakha carrying pictures of Osama bin Laden. The Himalayan State had a general strike.

In the Vietnam War, the United States killed three million; the amount of money we spent in that war could have built everyone a house in Vietnam. One could argue that response would have been a better way to convert them to our way of governance. Our response this time: more guns blazing.

This brings us to the cause of terrorism, and here we have to talk about things we may not want to.

We have to say that America pumps billions of dollars into Israel to aid their illegal—and "racist" according to most of the UN—removal of Palestinians. We helped toppled democratic Chilean elections in 1973. We train death squads for Latin America in Fort Benning Georgia. We kill millions with ineffective sanctions in Iraq.

We do all this and more and then ask why

After killing millions through the economic sactions imposed on Iraq after the Gulf War, we still wonder why some people in the world hate us.

there are those in the world who hate us. If we want to stop terrorism, we have to change our policies of state terrorism.

But of course that is not on George Bush's agenda. We are the world's only super power; therefore, they say, we are judged on a different moral scale.

We should also talk about what I would call another kind of attack that goes on constantly in America.

It is worth noting that Bill Gates is worth more than dozens of countries but one in six American children go to bed hungry.

Furthermore, George Bush now promises to fight for freedom by fighting freedom with a new Cabinet position, Office of Homeland

It is also worth noting that, while Bill Gates is worth more than several of the world's nations combined, one in six American children go to bed hungary. We must unite: not only for peace, but for justice.

Security. Our civil liberties are in danger.

Uniting around Bush will not bring us forward. However, for peace, for justice, we must unite: we must stop the looming war; stop the racist anti-Arab American attacks; renew our commitment to Global Justice; and prevent curtailment of our civil liberties.

BY PETER J. MORRISON

It is now two weeks since the terrorist attacks on the United States, and I think that it is important to take a step back and try to assess what possible things that we can do to prevent further attacks. We must have a sense of the sources from which terrorism springs and in what ways it can be deterred.

There are three basic disputes that serve as a catalyst for terrorism, these are territorial, political and social. We can see the dispute over territory resulting in terrorism against the state and people of Israel, personified by suicide bombings, most recently a pizza restaurant. We can see political terrorism in the dispute in Northern Ireland, and what might be a resolution of it with devolution of control and eventually self rule. We as the United States, the symbol of not only democracy, but of globalization, have become a target as a result of the third kind of terrorism that is social motivated.

While the terrorism that we face may be related to territorial disputes particularly our support of Israel, and there is no doubt a political cause for some of the terrorists acts, it is a social dispute that largely makes us a target. One of the key events that contributed to the animus that bin Laden feels toward us, is the stationing of U.S. military forces in Saudi Arabia during and after the Gulf War. This is because many of the holiest Muslim sites are in Saudi Arabia, and some people like bin Laden are deeply offended by this.

We must make it untenable for states to harbor terrorists within their borders, therefore making terrorists in effect international orphans.

This is a grievance that can be handled diplomatically, at the level of nation states, and in the same vein the issue of globalization and cultural sensitivity can be addressed by discussion. The problem with terrorists is that they are by definition extremists; they do not want compromise or understanding. They want things there way and they are not going to stop till they get their way.

This leads me to my second concern, how do you deter terrorism? The answer is relatively unappealing because it will result in collateral damage. Since these terrorists are willing to give their lives, its very hard to persuade them not to act; instead you must go after them either by bringing them to legal justice or by eliminating them.

Deterring terrorism means nothing short of the use of overwhelming military force and harsh economic sanctions.

The key to deterring terrorism, however, is acting against states that serve as the home bases for terrorists. We must make it impossible for states to harbor terrorists within their borders, therefore making terrorists in effect international orphans.

Its rather simple: a terrorist must live some where and if we eliminate the locations from which they can act, then we will drastically reduce their numbers and ability to recruit and train.

We must therefore take severe action against states that allow these people or groups within their borders. This means using nothing short of overwhelming military force and harsh economic sanctions

Terrorism cannot be eliminated completely but it can be minimized, and I have faith that our government and our allies will be able to, if we support them.

New York City: A Personal View

By ALEXANDRA TURSI

I was born in the shadows of the World Trade Center. One of my earliest recollections of the city is sitting in the small cemetery garden of nearby historic Trinity Church looking up at two very tall towers that seemed to touch the sky.

Viewpoint

The twin towers were partially visible through a parting canopy of maple trees. I liked these midmorning walks with my sisters. They always ended several blocks away, at Battery Park where we munched on animal crackers under the gaze of the Statue of Liberty, a sentry across New York Harbor. The garden was a peaceful place away from the rush of people in the narrow surrounding streets.

The devastation left New Yorkers and all Americans last week with a terrible ache in our hearts. This devastation was all too visible in the newly formed landscape of the city: a gaping hole, a drifting plume of grey smoke, a mountain of rubble.

The familiar skyline seemed lost without the two towers that had anchored the downtown scene for the past thirt-one years. As I watched the ashes rise, then settle, and the mushroom cloud descend on the rush of people beneath, the memories of growing up there came back.

Like a child, for a moment I thought, if only time could be rewound, if all that tragedy could be undone. But I am not a child, and I know that time moves only in one direction: forward.

I thought about how we character-

ize New Yorkers: Brash, bold, always on the move. I thought about the city: Bustling, busy, ever changing. That's what I like about New York. It's a city that draws its energy from the diversity of its people, all nine million of them. They each bring strengths from their culture and experience. All of these people have come together in this time of adversity and they will stay together to make New York whole again.

We New Yorkers, like all Americans will draw upon our collective determination and resilience and rebuild the landscape in our hearts as surely as we will rebuild the landscape of this city.

I will go back to lower Manhattan,

The pain was all too visable in the newly formed landscape of the city: a gaping hole, drifting plumes of grey smoke, a mountain of rubble.

and I will go to the cemetery garden of Trinity Church for a respite from the busyness and rush of people in the surrounding streets. I will look up between the parting canopy of mapletrees and I will miss the familiar towers that once touched the sky.

That large expanse of sky, partly visible from the little bench in the garden amid gently leaning stones bearing the names of people who built the city more than two hundred years ago, will be a memorial more powerful than any we can erect.

Petty Complaints Hurt UVM's Image

To the Editor:

Though not a UVM student-only a long-time businessman who has the resumes of many UVM students cross his desk-- I enjoyed reading the *Vermont Cynic* of September 11. In particular, a submission by Jason Sobel, entitled "Going Downhill at UVM," caught my attention.

Mr. Sobel gives lip service to the fact that "academics are a large part of college life" but quickly gets to his main thesis: "Academics aside, UVM has been a disappointing experience."

He complains that the tennis courts are a tad scruffy; that some unspecified communication problem exists between the Director of the Living/Learning Center and students; and that he, Mr. Sobel, has encountered some problems with access to his pottery studio.

True, I had the perspective of reading this piece the day after the cataclysmic attack on the U.S., but I lament waste of effort that went into this piece.

Mr. Sobel isn't a cynic--he's a petty whiner. Instead of doing something constructive about his minor concerns, he's figuratively sticking out his lower lip and, saying, "I'm not going to tell my mommy this time, but I am going to

write to the *Vermont Cynic*."

Mr Sobel's big finish is this global gem: "My understanding of life

has changed drastically to the point where I'd rather just be alone than to be with all you weirdos." I found myself wondering exactly who's being condmened here: fellow students? UVM administration? Readers of the Vermont Cynic? Me? In reality, Mr. Sobel has very little understanding of life. He describes himself as a lifelong optimist but comes off as a lifelong hedonist. The piece contains in the ballpark of 1,000 words, but Mr. Sobel's ethic can be summed up by his two-word dismissal: "Academics aside."

I know many fine people who have graduated from UVM and have made significant marks on society.

However, a continuing "party school" aura tends to put UVM grads at an inherent disadvantage when they apply for jobs. "Spokespeople" like this poor unfortunate soul only exacerbate the situation.

I'm not signing this letter for one reason. I'm hoping for the possibility that, one day, Mr. Sobel's resume will cross my desk. Let the games begin! Regards to the Vermont Cynic. I hope future editions will focus on contributors whose healthy cynicism reflects important issues and thorough consideration of all the facts.

Cynic columnist Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

Cynic columnist Peter J. Morrison is a member of the Class of 2003

A Concerned Businessman

Why Don't "Rabble Rousing" Socialists Just Leave?

To the Editor:

In the wake of the tragedy that struck this great nation on Tuesday, September 11th, we witnessed the very best of America. In the wake of the first explosion, hundreds of firefighters rushed upstairs into harm's way even as thousands streamed out. They paid with their lives.

After the collapse of both towers, millions more did their part with donations of money and blood while thousands in the city gave of themselves to search for survivors amidst the rubble that once dominated New York's skyline.

Why must you endeavor to turn a nation built on the foundation of liberty, both individual and economic, into a socialist utopia when in fact such places already exist in the world?

Unfortunately, at good old UVM, we are seeing a different side of America.

Sure, there are hundreds of touching examples of students who stood in line for hours to give blood, and not a few windows around campus prominently display American flags or the ribbons that have come to symbolize our loss.

Too bad these instances of kindness, generosity, and patriotism seem to pale in comparison to a handful of pathetic instances.

On Friday night, as so many in our nation stood in front of shopping malls or outside their cars on crowded expressways waving their candles and singing patriotic songs. On Redstone Campus, I attended a similar vigil. Fifty or sixty kids stood outside CWP holding candles. From a window in Hamilton blared a couple patriotic songs, and many that knew the words sang along quietly.

This was nice, as was the effort of a small cadre of girls to sing a few minutes later. Their songs weren't exactly patriotic, but their mood was somber and their intentions good. Their voices were drowned out by one

seemingly high girl who tried to sing along, laughing all the while. Two thousand commuters can be moved to song by the simple raising of a flag in Grand Central Station, but a candlelight vigil at UVM cannot proceed without alcohol or drugs.

I guess my real complaint lies with International Socialist Organization and their puppet crew of collegians, the Students for Global Peace and Justice. Both students and their puppeteers conspired to silence any opposition at a teach-in with boos and hissing, degenerating an attempt at dialogue into a potentially dangerous situation.

Another disturbing case is an editorial from the most outspoken of the rabble-rousers, a 'socialist' who manages to foot our obscene out of state tuition. It urges not to allow President Bush, almost universally praised for demonstrating restraint and for galvanizing support from the American people, to use this attack to propagate his agenda of war and the end of civil liberties.

The socialists, so quick to denounce America and blame us for the deaths of so many of our citizens, have turned a national rallying cry into a pathetic attempt to further their own

My question for these people who hate our great nation so much is why do not you simply leave? Why must you endeavor to turn a nation built on the foundation of liberty, both individual and economic, into a socialist utopia when in fact such places already exist in the world?

Move to Sweden, or Norway, or even Canada. Witness firsthand the problems of socialism while we the patriotic fight to defend the right of our people to live and the right of our state to keep peace within its borders. Allow us to grieve without denouncing our dead as deserving of their sad

> Russel Henderson Class of 2002

"The Chickens Come Home to Roost"

By RON JACOBS

I was heading to the nearest coffee shop in Manhattan Tuesday morning when I looked to the south (because everyone I passed was doing so) and saw the smoke billowing from the World Trade Center's two towers. My desire for coffee was put on hold as I stood there with 50 other folks and stared as first one, then the other, towers collapsed to the ground.

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While I watched, I listened to the conversation around me and, along with the news broadcast coming from a radio in the crowd, and figured out that two planes had crashed into the towers setting them aflame and killing countless numbers of innocent people. Meanwhile, another plane had been crashed into the Pentagon, killing even more folks.

As the morning wore on, news reports and rumors filtered in regarding other flights and bombings and the locking down of Manhattan. Meanwhile, my thoughts were on finding out how long I would be stuck in New York City, getting in touch with my family in Vermont, and finding my friend in Manhattan who was to have reported to work in the disaster zone that morning.

Callous disregard for human life, whether at the hand of a terrorist or an air force bomber pilot, will only create more violence, not a more just and peaceful world

In addition, I was trying to digest the meaning and enormity of what I had just witnessed and what it would mean for the world in the days and years ahead.

By day's end, I had contacted my family and assured them I was okay, found my friend hanging out in the Village, and figured out that the earliest I was going to leave Manhattan would be on Thursday, September 13th. I still didn't have a clue, however, as to the meaning or enormity of the day's tragic events.

The only thing I knew for sure was that, if these acts were truly those of some terrorist group angered at the United States' role in the world, especially in their particular part of it, then the man standing next to me on the corner that morning was absolutely right when he looked at me and stated: "It's like Malcolm (X) said, brother, those chickens come home to roost sometimes."

Too bad there is no positive way to say that and, even worse, too bad it is the innocents who have to pay. And they will probably pay even more in the future both at home and abroad, especially if war is declared by whatever coalition of the world's governments the U.S. convinces to join their capital crusade.

There can be no winners if war is the route the United States chooses. Only the war industry and the coffin builders will profit. Oh yeah, and those who thrive on death and killing on all sides. Justice is what we should be calling for, not revenge--and the two should never be confused.

My godson Savon was born Thursday, 46 years to the day after I was born. I want him to live to be more than twice my age and I want him to live in a world where hatred in all of its disguises--nationalism, racism, religious and cultural bigotry, sexism and homophobia--is nonexistent.

To achieve this, it is imperative that we continue our struggle for global justice: economic, social, and political. Callous disregard for human life, whether at the hand of a terrorist wielding a knife or an air force bomber pilot pushing a button in his cockpit, will achieve none of the

Fair and equal access and distribution of our planet's multiple resources will.

> -Ron Jacobs Bailey Howe Library Staff

To the Editor:

I was disappointed by Kristin Dobbs' article on the Friday, 14 September teach in. The 'peace' faction were consistently aggressive and rude. Many of these speakers blamed the victims for the crime committed against them, even while most of the victims remained buried in the rubble!

Further, the 'peace' faction often hissed at those who disagreed with them. This was shameless behavior, and did not help the cause of those who want a measured search for justice after this outrage.

> George Candler Visiting Assistant Professor MPA Program

Unity, Security, and Cell Phones: Lessons From Tuesday

By ANGE BARBATEIU

I was asked "What does this tragedy mean to you?" by a Cynic staff member. I can't say that I can answer that. It is too vague. But I can answer, "What has changed in you as a result?" Here are 10 of the most significant changes in my life. 1. I am no longer a pacifist, and will never

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be so again. Under circumstances of terrorism (I equate that with "abuse" on a more personal level), I support a show of strength and power to protect the potential victims (our loved ones). Even to the point of a long and carefully conducted war.

I believe that we can find a way to rightfully punish the guilty parties in this matter and we can do it without destroying our own sense of civil justice. I'm not saying this won't cause changes in the USA, but that the essential character of the USA will be the same as it is now after it's over.

2. People are inherently good in a huge

majority over those who are cruel in "Just in case" and "Routine" safety exernature. I take the events directly afterward as evidence of that. Only a tiny, insignificant minority thought that innocent people deserved to die on Tuesday.

- 3. Information and help are not a right -in a crisis they're a blessing, but not a right. Some information should not be shared, such as exact details of the actions of the culprits until they are caught and tried. Until now, I have thought idealistically that all information should be shared.
- 4. Americans are not engaging in empty materialism. Text-messaging cell phones saved lives that day.
- 5. It is the people who were dancing and handing out sweets on Tuesday that are insensitive to violence, not Americans due to TV. We are actually quite sensitive to carnage as we have seen.
- 6. Screw convenience! I want to be safe, and I want everyone to be safe with me.

cises such as fire drills, etc, are incredibly important.

- 7. Maybe we have been "Robber Barons" in the world, but that doesn't excuse senseless violence by people who are pissed off that we have money and can do that. There is no way to make everyone happy. Secretaries know that lesson quite well. Everyone has enemies, it's how they deal with them that separates the civilized peoples from the brutes.
- 8. Differences in politics, and criticism of our sometimes-comic President seem so petty now.
- 9. International negotiation doesn't work if the culprit is not a nation. This is our challenge. How to deal with this kind of threat? Note the use of the word, "deal." I meant to use every meaning of that word. I won't agree with everything our government will do now, but I will be 100% supportive of their efforts to keep me safe

from these maniacs.

10. Now I know what would happen if... and I will never forget. People from all over the world played our national anthem in special church services held in our honor that day or in the days ensuing (England wasn't the only one). We are not the only ones who have "I (heart) NY" bumperstickers. The world is watching. Let's stick together and be supportive of our government's actions against this menace to our peace, safety, and happiness. Maybe we have many things to learn, but we'll do it together.

I won't end this message with "Peace;" I will end it with: Justice

> Ange Barbateiu Class of 2002

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Carville Deals with Campaign Finance

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SYMPOSIUM

The schedule on Saturday is as follows:

General Session 1 is "The Record-Breaking 2000 Election - Who Got Money and How it was Spent" from 1:30 - 2:15 p.m. Speakers include Vermont secretary of state Deborah Markowitz; Professor Anthony Gierzynski; and Professor of Government and Politics at the University of Maryland Paul Herrnson.

Panel A is "Experimentation and Experiences with Reform in Vermont" from 2:30 - 3:15 p.m. The panel includes by Vermont senate minority leader John Bloomer; Vermont James Douglas; Treasurer Progressive Former Candidate for Governor Anthony Pollina: Vermont Senate Pro-tempore Peter President Shumlin

"The First Panel B Campaign Amendment VS. Finance Reform" from 2:30 3:15 p.m. The panel is on campaign finance reform focusing on the Landell vs. Sorrell case over Vermont's new campaign finance law, Panel members include Ian Carlton and Peter Langrock, attorneys who were directly involved in the landmark case, and Brenda Wright of the National Voting Rights Institute. General Session 2 is "Where Do We Go From Here?" from 3:30 4:30 p.m. The discussion is on national and state leveled reform including the topics of how to deal with soft money, issue ads, spending limits and public funding. Speakers include Vermont Lt. Gov. Doug Racine.

Also:

Wednesday, September 26th
The "War Room" showing at
8p.m. in Lafayette 108.

"[It is] to create a stimulating learning environment and to include our communities in these activities."

After Carville speaks, there will be a luncheon at



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James Carville

Billings open to everyone for \$7 per person.

After lunch,

After lunch, there will be panel discussions on finance reform and political campaigns

by lawyers, governor candidates, and other essential members of Vermont politics.

In the addition to hearing Carville speak, the goal is to have people stay and listen and participate in the panel discussions throughout the afternoon.

"We want students to look beyond the media messages and learn more about the candidates," said Grayson.

"This is an active issue in Vermont. It's important for everyone to hear various voices and make a critical and educated decision on what they think."

In correlation with the symposium, there will be a showing of the Academy- Award nominated movie the "War Room". The "War Room" is a documentary based on the 1992 Clinton campaign, in which the leadership of Carville and George Stephanopoulos.

It will be shown Wednesday night at 8p.m. in Lafayette 108.

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UVM's Presidential Search Committee will meet with potential candidates for the university's top post during the last weekend of September.

The candidate meetings are designed to help the committee narrow down the list of applicants.

Representatives of the search firm Issacson, Miller of Boston said the list of potential candidates comes from four sources: qualified individuals who have applied for the job; individuals identified by Issacson, Miller; candidates recommended directly to the committee; and, potential candidates deemed qualified from other job searches by UVM and Issacson, Miller.

"We're in the marketing mode as much as we're in the learning mode about each candidate," said vice chairman John Evans, who added the committee has "a lot of interesting people to consider"

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-University Communications

Cardiac Research Recognized

For the past 17 years, University of Vermont College of Medicine Professor Philip Ades, M.D., has been leading the fight against the effects of coronary heart disease.

'I'm proud that our work has been recognized.'

Philip Ades, M.D.

A recent edition of the New England Journal of Medicine recognizes UVM's contribution to this field.

In Ades article, "Cardiac titled Rehabilitation of Coronary Heart Disease," Ades notes that cardiac rehabilitation helps patients not only prevent disability related to the disease,

but also prevents prevents second coronary events by helping to cholesterol, reduce weight, and aid blood pressure and diabetes control.

"I'm proud that our work has been recognized, and we will continue to invest great efforts in helping cardiac patients find renewed health and an improved quality of life through exercise, diet and behavior modification," said Ades.

Ades directs the Cardiac Rehabilitation Program UVM/Fletcher Allen Secondary Prevention Health Care and is the associate director of University of Vermont General Clinical Research Center.

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Smith New Victim's Advocate

By ALEXANDRA TURSI

Anne Smith will be a new friendly face as UVM welcomes her to a new position as victim's advocate.

Smith will provide shortterm confidential counseling to students, faculty and staff who are the victims of sexual assault, sexual harassment, domestic abuse, and stalking. She will also assist with some judicial issues.

"Three percent of women are assaulted annually on college campuses," Smith said. That would equate to about 150 students at UVM."

Smith expressed that she brings to UVM a passion "for helping victims and survivors."

Any repeated behavior that makes a person feel uncomfortable is considered harassment. This kind of behavior could include

simple things such as repeated e-mails, phone calls, or unexpected visits that may escalate.



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Advocate Anne Smith

In situations like this, Smith contends there are many options to take.

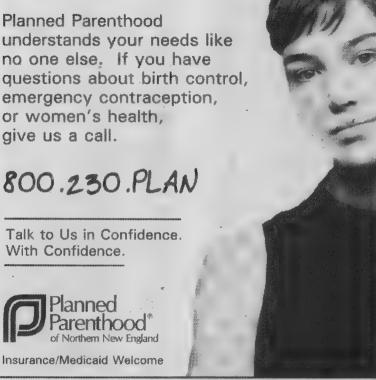
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Anne Smith can be reached by phone at 656-7892 and by email at apsmith@zoo.uvm.edu.

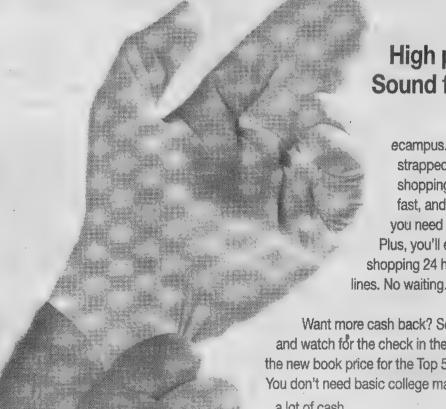
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"United We Stand" Concert Set for Waterfront Park

The City of Burlington, the Office of Mayor Peter Clavelle and the ad hoc "United We Stand" organizing committee announced there will be a free "United We Stand"concert in Burlington's Waterfront Park on Saturday afternoon September 29 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public. Donations will be requested for the American Red Cross' "September 11 Fund." Among the outstanding local artists who are donating their services are: Tammy Fletcher, Aaron Flinn's Salad Days, The Dares, The John Tower Group, Chrome Cowboys, Patti Casey, The Grippo Funk Band, Patrick Fitzsimmons, Rachel Bissex and Diane Zeigler.

Among the speakers will be Congressman Bernie Sanders and Jim Peterson, director of the Northern Vermont Chapter of the American Red Cross.

The idea for the concert came from Lynn Furno of Hinesburg on the day after the terrorist attack on America. Ms. Furno felt there existed a critical need to bring our community together to share in the healing power of music.

The concert will close with a candlelight vigil at sunset. Bring candles.

Due to parking limitations, the public is urged to use public transportation wherever possible. The CCTA's College Street Shuttle will be running from UVM to the Waterfront. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: contact Sean Greenwood 846-1500 or Lynn Furno 482-7673.



Andy Duback/VC Staff
The ALANA Student Center sponsored an Intertribal Pow-Wow at the
Patrick Gym on September 22-23.
The event featured Native American
arts, crafts, food, and dancing.

Toots and the Maytals Play at Higher Ground Tonight

By DAN McCLUSKEY

Picture your father, leather-clad and dancing you into the ground. The man that you are imagining is Frederick "Toots" Hibbert.

His band, the Maytals, will be performing at Higher Ground on September 25 and 26.

Hailing from rural Jamaica, Toots has been one of the most influential artists ever.

Often credited for coining the term "reggae," Toots and the Maytals have given their fans twenty-eight albums.

The band has been covered by Sublime, the Clash, and countless others.

The band initially gained mainstream recognition in Jimmy Cliff's film "The Harder They Come," The film features the band in the recording studio and several Toots songs.

Toots and the Maytals are booked, as they often are, for two nights because they consistently sell-out in Vermont.

Susan Norton, a long time fan who works for Pure Pop Music says, "Toots always sells out here due to a few different factors: this is a reggae-crazy town and Toots is very portable considering his influences and those that he has influenced.

He gives the crowd what they want...the favorites as well as the lesser known grooves, always delivered with an electric impact.

You can tell the band is having a great time and we are lucky to get the reggae legends in such a small, intimate venue."

Greg Trooper Appearing at Btown Coffeehouse



Michael Wilson Photo Singer/songwriter Greg Trooper

New Jersey
a n d
Nashville
b a s e d
singer/songwriter, is
performing
at the

Burlington Coffeehouse on Friday, September 28. The show begins at 8pm.

Trooper's fifth studio album, Straight Down Rain, has been termed his strongest by Billboard, Playboy, and Pulse.

The album features songs written by Greg Trooper, Bill Lloyd, John Sieger, Pamela Brown Hayes, and Phil Madeira.

Trooper has toured extensively throughout Europe and the United States for the past fifteen years.

His songs display considerable passion and wisdom, proof that he is a romantic at heart.

He examines damaged relation-

ships and self-images with maturity.

The songs are his take on isolation and now love can break it down: "When you fall in love, you fall hard- like straight down

The Springsteen-like anthem "Sometimes It Takes a Hurricane" is powerfully:

"Sometimes it takes no more than a drop of water/ to fill the glass that holds your hopes and dreams/ sometimes it takes a hurricane."

Billboard predicts: If Trooper continues to release such solid material and radio finds a place for it, this well-kept secret will be a secret no more."

Pottying on Campus: Where to Go When You Absolutely Must

By JARED LEAVITT

When one begins their college life, there are certain sacrifices which must be made.

My biggest difficulty was sharing things that had been my own for my whole life. Dwindling privacy was tough to bear. In particular, one aspect of my life was very upsetting.

That was giving up my spotless, tiled, french-vanilla scented, mold-free bathroom at home. During my first month here finding a perfect location for a #2 became my #1 priority.

Fortunately, I attend the University of Vermont, where academics are rich and quality restrooms are plentiful.

Now, before I begin enlightening the university as to where these top-secret places can be found, I find it necessary to elaborate on what distinguishes a top bathroom from one that should never be set foot in.

As a guy, I need my experience behind the door of the stall to be pleasant and relaxing. In other words, I need a spotless area to remove my shirt and let nature call. Some say, "Why remove your shirt?"

And to them, I say "Try it, learn it, love it." It's the only way to get the job done. So, I need either a hanger on the door or a large enough ventilation system beside me so it can be promptly folded and placed there.

I also prefer relieving myself in solitude, so I avoid toilets near high student density areas such as the first floor at the Bailey/Howe Library or Cook Commons.

Finally, the restroom must be clean. Clean means there are no puddles on the floors, smudge marks on the mirrors, or random coffee cups and foam containers cluttering the sink. Toilets must be

flushed. Always.

I'll start with my personal favorite, a bathroom so beautiful I hesitate to pubically announce it. With this bathroom, I feel like an environmentalist trying to conserve his last virgin rainforest.

But, I'll spell it out now. The greatest toilet on campus can be found in the Southwick Music Building.

Students on Redstone campus who can stand the awkward dance over to the Music Hall and up its lengthy winding staircase will feel like kings or queens when

hold it and run to......

1) Southwick Music Hall

2) Votey Staff Bathroom

When in need...

3) Bailey/Howe

4) Sub Connection

5) Cook Commons

Bailey/Howe Library. The bathroom is completely underrated and virtually never used. It is a magnificent facility in comparison to the other first floor bathroom rival.

I like to finish the job on the john and have a nice sink with thick paper towels for hand drying instead of a high tech air-blowing machine.

For this aspect, the importance of cleanliness, the single bathroom at Sub Connection earns a honorable mention.

Females may have a particularly tough problem finding appropriate bathrooms on campus.

One anonymous UVM senior girl confessed "I try not to use bathrooms on campus. I prefer to go where I know who uses them." Cory Oliver, class of 2003 claims, "They're very seary. Most girls perfect their hovering in UVM bathrooms." Look on the bright side ladies.

Ryan Mehigan, class of 2004 refuses to go to the bathroom anywhere on campus "because the toilet paper feels like sand paper."

All people need is some Cottonelle Toiletpaper and a little hope. Call me crazy. Call me stupid. I just consider myself a picky pottier. I simply think people should consider where their. business is conducted.

Don't let the stereotype that all public bathrooms are untouchable fool you into thinking this school is like any other.

Take time to appreciate the fine restrooms here at UVM.

Educate yourself about where these wonders are.

We all can benefit from these

top five great bathrooms as we seek to improve our experiences of pottying on campus.

Community Calendar

Tuesday, September 25Appel d'Air (Call of the Air), puppetry and theater, Flynn Center, 7:30pm

Toots and the Maytals, the B-Side Players, Higher Ground, Doors 9pm.

Wednesday, September 26 Toots and the Maytals, Higher Ground.

The Laramie Project, play based on real reactions to the murder of Matthew Shepard, Royall Tyler Theater.

Thursday, September 27 Sound Tribe Sector 9, Higher Ground.

The Laramie Project, Royall
Tyler Theater
Friday, September 28
Greg Trooper, singer/songwriter,
Burlington Coffeehouse.

Saturday, September 29 Trisha Brown Dance Co. and Dave Douglas Ensemble, a dance/jazz trilogy, Flynn Center,

Sunday, September 30 Vermont Youth Orchestra Fall Concert, Flynn Center for the Performing Arts, 3pm. I need my experience they reach the throne. Spacious, crystal cle d relaxing. In other

Spacious, crystal clean, always empty. You can sit down, remove your shirt, and enjoy the most peaceful disposal of your entire college life. It is truly the creme a la creme of the public bathrooms.

Or, for those of you who are willing to take risks for relief, I recommend the faculty bathroom on Votey's first floor.

Yes, it is a faculty bathroom and we are students, but we deserve the same top quality toiletries. Conveniently located on the bottom level, it's an ideal pit stop at any time during the day.

Most students like to feel they go where other students don't. Matt Whelihan, class of 2003 disclosed "I like Cook Commons because it doesn't look like a student bathroom."

I feel compelled to mention the restroom in the back of the

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Catamount Sports

Palmer Finishes Second at Invitational



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Vermont's men's and women's and women's cross country teams competed at the Central Connecticut Invitational Saturday, with sophomore

sopnomore standout Michele Palmer (Plymouth, Mass.) highlighting the day with a second-place finish in the women's 5-kilometer race.

Cross Country

Palmer, who competed last year in the NCAA Championships, finished second with a time of 17:44.08. Captain Marge Bolton (Bennington, Vt.) was 21st in 19:30.80, while Dorette Folk (Concord, Mass.) was 36th in 20:04.50. Princeton won the event with 39 points, followed by Rhode Island (42), UConn (78), Maine (108) and Vermont (141). The host team was sixth with 155, while Siena was seventh (188) and Binghamton eighth (190).

-Sports Info

Mink Suspended Indefinitely; Team Looking Forward

By LEE HIGGINS

When the Catamounts open their 2001-2002 campaign against defending national champion Boston College, they will be without senior forward Graham Mink.

The three-year letterwinner was suspended indefinitely by head men's hockey coach Mike Gilligan on Friday and will face a criminal charge of aggravated assault.

At approximately 12:55 AM on the morning of Sunday, Sept. 15, officers responded to a reported disturbance in the area of 36 Buell St. that involved a subject that had been assaulted. "The hockey player was subsequently identified as being involved in the assault, and thus he was cited to appear in Vermont District Court," said

'Here at UVM, we have hight expectations for how our student-athletes conduct themselves'

Mike Gilligan Vermont Head Coach

Lieutenant Walter Becker of the Burlington Police Department. He will be arraigned on Nov. 6. The felony charge carries a sentence of up to 15 years.

In a news release last Friday, coach Gilligan detailed his decision to suspend Mink, who led the team in goals last year with 17.

"Here at UVM, we have high expectations for how our student-athletes conduct themselves," he said.

"In addition, the hockey team has its own set of rules and stan

dards regarding behavior of the players, both on and off the ice. Any time there is a potential issue, I have to use my judgement to determine whether these rules and standards have been violated. I have looked into this situation, and I have decided to suspend Graham Mink indefinitely from the team."

Despite the absence of the 6'3" 210-pound forward, captain Ryan Cox expressed confidence in the team.

"Anytime you lose a 20-goal scorer through graduation or suspension, it's gonna hurt the team in a way but we've got guys to fill their shoes," Cox said.

"We're losing a great player, a great friend, and a great teammate. We wish him the best. We have to move on."



University Photography Mink fends off another player in a game against Dartmouth last year.

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W Tennis at Siena, 3:30pm Volleyball vs. Plattsburgh St., 7:00pm

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Fri., Sept. 28

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Students Questioned By Federal Agent

By LEE HIGGINS

Two students at the University of Vermont have reported being approached by a federal agent within the last two weeks requesting information about another student.

The Associated Press reported on Sept. 28 that "investigators are reviewing the records of students at colleges and universities from California to Rhode Island as they probe the Sept. 11 terrorist attack."

First-year Kaitlin Strauss was working at the main desk at Living and Learning Center on Sept. 18 when she was ques-

"A federal agent wearing a black suit and kind of creepy looking approached me," she said. "He flashed his badge and asked where he could find the records of a former student who was also an employee."

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (otherwise known as the Buckley Amendment) governs the release of information about students to anyone. According to Associate Registrar Gail Starks, the amend-

ment "has provisions in it that allow, permit, and sometimes even require offices to give information to various federal agencies when requested. That type of activity happens, I'm not going to say on a daily or even a monthly basis, but it isn't uncommon."

Starks explained that any requests for student records that have been made by federal agencies over the past few weeks would have been conducted under standard procedures.

"I can't say that we haven't had 20 requests in the last two weeks," Starks said. "I don't know. The staff haven't made me aware that there's anything out of the ordinary going on."

If a student is approached by a federal agent, "they're under no obligation to respond," said special agent media spokesperson Gail Marcinkiewicz of the F.B.I.'s Boston field office.

"We're conducting recently a very important investigation and we're hoping that people will be helpful with this investigation. Again, the student can ask for identification if they want to verify that agent, whether they are in fact an agent of the F.B.I."

Athletic Cuts Force Students to Contemplate Transfering



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Coach Gary Bruening is surrounded by members of his gymnastics squad that will be cut after this season.

By ALEXANDRA TURSI

Retention rates are an important factor on how a school compares with others. Freshman retention rates are something looked at even more closely, as students take this into consideration before they enroll.

Schools and administrations look at academic offerings, as well as housing and extra-curricular programs to keep students at their school.

The recent sports cuts at UVM will likely not make it any easier to keep students here at school.

The volleyball, gymnastics, and men's indoor and outdoor track teams will finish this year's season, and will not be offered the 2002-2003 year.

Freshmen who were promised four years of a varsity sport are now considering leaving UVM.

"I'm going to finish the year then transfer," said first year gymnast Katie Dominico. "My sister and I are both level 10 gymnasts. We turned down scholarships from other schools to come to UVM. This decision has shocked me and upset me. I feel cheated."

Dominico and her sister were attracted to UVM gymnastics program because of the atmosphere, facilities, coaching staff, and the spirit and goals of the team.

Another first-year, Alexandra Chalat, echoes these sentiments and adds: "The school doesn't realize that they are putting college careers in jeopardy."

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Saturday Night Showdown at the Gut



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Sophomores Jeff Miles and Patrick Sharp are pumped for another challenging season of Catamount hockey,

NHL Draft Picks Miles, Sharp Will Be Key Against BC

By LISA OBRENTZ

The play of sophomore NHL draft picks Patrick Sharp and Jeff Miles will be crucial if the Catamounts are to upset the Boston College Eagles Saturday night. The duo was drafted this past June in the 2001 NHL Entry Draft. Sharp was a third round selection by the Philadelphia Flyers, and Miles was selected by the Chicago Black Hawks in the ninth round.

The Eagles are the defending NCAA champions. With this in view Sharp admits that "it's tough to start off against the best, on the other hand it's going to be an advantage for us, we're going to see what the year's going to be

Sharp and Miles combined for 58 points in the 2000-2001 season for the

Catamounts.

like, who better to play against than the best? We like the underdog role, and it worked out well for us last year in the playoffs." Sharp, an ECAC All-Rookie

team selection last year, posted 12 goals and 15 assists in a span of 34 games for the Catamounts. Especially efficient in power plays, Sharp will also seek to improve on defense. "I worked hard over the summer, so I think I got myself in pretty good shape for this season, and I'm looking forward to having a good one." being picked

Philadelphia Flyers in the NHL draft, Sharp affirms "it was a feeling of accomplishing one of my dreams, and one of my goals."

Several freshmen on the team will have a chance to "step in and play right away," said Sharp. Miles added that "incoming freshman defensemen are looking pretty good right now." The loss of several key players due to graduation is not hindering the Cats' confidence that this will be a good season.

Miles is also expected to perform well this year, scoring an impressive 8 goals and assisting on 23 tallies in the 2000-2001 campaign.

> For the Complete Hockey Preview See Page 9

President Colodny Welcomes All to UVM

for Homecoming and Family Weekend 2001.

We have planned many special activities that I am sure you will enjoy. In celebration of its 75th anniversary at The

I hope this weekend will provide us all with an opportunity to find strength in each other.

University of Vermont, the Music Department will present a variety of outstanding concerts throughout the weekend; the Catamounts will take on the defending NCAA champions from Boston College in the opening game of the 2001-2002 men's hockey season; faculty members and deans will wel-

I am pleased to have this come you with open classes and opportunity to welcome our par- academic open houses; many ents and alumni back to campus alumni and parent volunteers will Vermont and our wonderful camattend meetings, preparing to help the university grow even stronger in the coming year; and students will display their UVM spirit in the 5th Annual Homecoming Parade, "Sights and Sounds of Vermont." I encourage you to participate in these and the many other events of the weekend.

As we gather for this special weekend, we are also mindful that many members of our community have been deeply affected by the tragedy of Sept. 11. We stand united in our support for our country and in our hope for understanding and peace in the world. I hope this weekend will provide us all with an opportunity to find strength in each other, and a reason to be grateful that we are part of the University of Vermont

Enjoy all that autumn in pus offer, and have a great weekend. I look forward to sharing it with you.

> Edwin I. Colodny Interim President

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See You At the Game

The University needs to thoroughly examine why freshmen leave. There is no simple

It is unlikely they are repelled by the Green Mountains and the shores of Lake Champlain. The food at Harris-Millis isn't that bad.

They probably aren't turned off by the students who say "hello" to complete strangers and prefer recycling to littering. The quality of life at UVM is actually pretty good.

So why do students leave?

The feeling of community seems to be missing. So does a football team. Why would a student want to leave a school where they could spend their Saturday afternoon's tailgating?

Sure, it's fun to stroll down Church Street, but it's also fun to be surrounded by thousands of raging fans who have one thing in common: they stand behind their school and they let people know it.

With the present athletic cuts, it is dubious that UVM has any plans to bring their football

program back. But it wouldn't hurt to make a freshman feel more at home. It wouldn't hurt to have a place to go on Saturday afternoon to cook burgers and sausages and gather with your peers in support of your school.

It might even give more meaning to the floats in the Homecoming Parade. In the meantime, you'll have to watch the Boston College Eagles get slammed into the glass of Saturday.

The men's hockey team is lacing up their skates for the first time this season and they're coming full throttle. Charlie Catamount will be on hand and he's sure to have the Gut roaring.

So if you haven't been to a game yet, you might want to consider going to this one. Bring mom and pops and your kid brother for a real treat. Put your green and gold face paint on and be prepared for some first-class entertainment.

The puck drops at 7 p.m. See you there.

Resist Temptation to Hibernate

The drop in temperature as winter approaches is often accompanied by a decline in class attendance and a general lack of activity on campus.

As the days grow shorter, students often box themselves in their households or let skiing interfere with their studies.

While it often difficult to bear the cold, it is important to remain focused and adhere to a daily routine of healthy eating and exercise.

Too often students allow the piercing wind to knock their spirits down and rob them of their enthusiasm.

It is important to remain involved on campus in order to avoid the winter blues.

For the freshmen and transfer students who have not yet experienced a Vermont winter, prepare for the worst.

However, don't lose perspective on what you wish to accomplish this semester.

Enjoy the foliage and grass while they last, but realize that the cold and snow will soon be a constant.

Make sure you have fun, just remember to bundle up.

Safety Is No Accident

Given the magnitude of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, many have feared the loss of civil liberties and the prospect of living in a police

Security has tightened, most notably in airports, and for good reason.

Giving up some personal freedoms for the purpose of immediate national security concerns should come as no surprise.

The American people must place their trust

with leglistators to make critical decisions regarding issues of vital national importance.

For the time being, considerations of health and safety need to take priority over convenience.

If you find yourself encountering delays at the airport, be patient. Your cooperation goes a long way as national leaders make crucial decisions on a demanding road ahead.

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Feildson's Response Off the Mark

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Chris Feildson's attack in the Sept. 25 Cynic of the views I expressed in "Attacks End Innocence, Age a Generation" (Sept. 18).

My view on World Trade Center and Pentagon events is not the uneducated or passive one you assumed it to be based on the opinion piece "Attack Ends Innocence, Age a Generation," in which I did not support blind retaliation.

The fact that you dwelt upon my vague reference to the "Daily Show" indicates to me that you did not read my article much further, for if you had you would realize that I too believe an appropriate and strong reaction is required.

My reflection on that week of September 11th was that UVM did not allow appropriate time to grieve for our nation's losses.

Based on this, you accused me of being "Un-American" and a "bleeding heart liberal" when in fact, I did not represent myself as a pacifist, conservative or liberal. My hope, which you called naive and idealistic, was simply that our leadership respond rationally, not sloppily or hastily. That we should not allow "redneck" instincts like "hunt 'em down and punish 'em" to cover up what lies at the (bleeding) heart of this matter.

My recommendation was not that we should "all shake hands" but that America's course of action solve more than a need for instant gratification and revenge.

As to your useless remark that I should remove the flower from my hair, suggesting that I am a peace loving airhead, I recommend that you not turn this into a war between patriots and hippies.

I'm not a hippy because I argue we should be organized and effective, and you are not a good American just because you think we should go on a killing spree. But if you and 86% of the population demand war, then I must be wrong, because we all know statistics are never misleading and the majority is always right.

Kate Nichols Class of 2003

'September 25 Letter Does Injustice'

To the Editor:

I read with great disappointment September 25th's "Official Teach-In Biased and Incomplete". While I would not normally respond to this type of article, given the circumstances of September 11, I feel compelled to respond to express my complete objection to virtually its entire premise.

I would never reject a rational opinion simply based on disagreement. However, in this I find the two authors' opinion not only wrong, but also irrational and abhorrent on several levels. I too found the teach-in to be predominately one sided.

I felt that most students and panel members were against military retaliation and the actions of President Bush. In fact, it seemed to me that the speakers who supported the use of force in pursuit of justice were actually the ones barked at.

The authors conclude by stating, "by reacting with such hatred and retaliation, we offend the memories of those who died; we further disgrace America, and we become just like the murderous terrorists." Further disgrace America?! This quote betrays their true sentiment, or perhaps simply serves as testimony to their obvious ignorance of American history and those that have given an ultimate sacrifice. The authors' suggestion that America deserved this hideous attack is unconscionable!

You cannot rationally argue that 7,000 hard working American civilians deserved to lose their lives--for any reason. That notion is horribly offensive to relatives of these victims, and I suspect to all sensible citizens.

Can anyone actually believe that the fact that "the Gulf War killed as many as 200,000 Iraqis- 50 times the number who died on September 11th" has any relevance to this attack?

The difference here is as simple as it is obvious: the Gulf War was a response to the aggression of Iraq on neighboring Kuwait, and in no way can be compared to an unprovoked attack on unsuspecting citizens.

The real disgrace of America is not the rubble covering the ground where the World Trade Center once stood; it is not the giant hole in America's symbol of defense. It is the reality that

American sacrifices have always paved the way for freedom -- freedom of speech regardless of how irresponsible. I believe the letter of Sept. 25 does injustice to the horrible picture we will all carry with us. The mourning families of this tragedy, the orphans, the homeless, and the innocent. It would be the ultimate injustice to America and its allies were we not to retaliate.

Allowing people to disrupt our way of living is unimaginable. We must show the world that we will defend our citizens, our nation, our freedom, and our interests.

To not do so would only encourage further cowardly actions, and also diminish the value of our commitment to our allies' in need as well.

Finally proclaiming that American retaliation would make us, "just like the murderous terrorists," is objectionable because, while the terrorist attack was unprovoked, our retaliation is justified and backed internationally. The attack relied on surprise and deceit to evade our security. Conversely, the Taliban and Osama bin Laden are on notice—we are coming.

I am genuinely shocked by how many students and faculty members are opposed to a forceful response to this aggression on our freedom, yet grateful that at least some people in the Chapel supported our country.

I am comforted by these responses amidst otherwise disgraceful behavior.

The precedent that some radical pacifists choose to condemn has the approval of 90% of our nation. Moreover, Bush's actions enjoy overwhelming international support.

I do agree with the authors that "we must open our eyes to the big picture, however ugly it may be." Unfortunately the authors cannot see the beauty that lies in America. Unfortunately, human life will again be silenced.

If we are to put an end to the senseless trend of mass civilian murder, we must learn from the lessons of history: there can be no appeasement in our time to cowardly terrorism.

> Nikki Muradian Class of 2004

What Does Patriotism Mean?

BY BRANDON JOHNSON

Not too long ago, 120,000 Japanese Americans were bused to internment camps—they were originally called concentration camps. Some of the children passed time on the journey with songs. I remember hearing of a five-year-old Japanese girl, innocently moving to the front of the bus, placing her hand on her heart, and singing "America the Beautiful." She didn't know where she was going. The armed escorting soldier began to cry. Patriotism is not simple.

It's not simple today either. Wal-Mart is selling out of American flags. Patriotism's at full staff. Bush is said to have 90% of America singing his praises. Even Dan Rather pledges to be at Bush's beck and call for war.

Everyone thought Bush would bomb imme-

Liberty and democracy have to do with questioning, not patriotism.

diately. For those of us in the peace movement, we remain resolute that war won't work. There would be no better way to recruit for terrorism than to bomb. There would be no excuse to let the murder of six thousand people in New York justify our refusal to aid the million innocent Afghani refugees that make up what aid workers predict to be one of the worst aid-catastrophes in history.

But our resolve for what is right over what is presidential policy lands us as "un-American," "unpatriotic." That's fine. Maybe with a few more non-patriots that little Japanese girl wouldn't have gone to the camps. Maybe with a few more non-patriots the US would have left the Vietnam War earlier. Maybe with a few more non-patriots the ineffective sanctions would be lifted on Iraq: saving millions of lives—cooling not brewing anti-Americanism. Maybe with a few more non-patriots questioning our foreign policy, we would have never set up the Taliban in the first place.

If the man who shot two Arab-Americans and said "I'm a patriot, I'm an American all the way," is as he claims, then I definitely am not.

In the end, I guess, I'd define patriotism as faith and duty. Faith: the Japanese child's innocence and Americans faith now that our country will do what's right. Duty: the escorting soldier's obedience and the sentiment today that it is s necessity to unite.

But we can't just sit back and let Bush take us to war. We should question where we are going; we need to. I wouldn't sing "America the Beautiful" on my way to an internment camp and I won't sing the praises of Bush bringing us to war today. Liberty and democracy have everything to do with questioning, not patriotism: question before you obey.

Cynic columnist Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

WHOLE WHEAT OR WHITE CRUST

BY PETER J. MORRISON

According to Merriam-Webster's collegiate dictionary, Patriotism is defined as "love for or devotion to one's country." This love and devotion has been evident in almost all Americans over the past few weeks since the horrific events of September 11. However, there are certain areas of the Country where this spirit is lacking and that is the campuses of this nation's colleges and universities.

This is evident in a recent poll conducted on the Campus of Harvard University and reported on in the National Review Online, by John J. Miller & Ramesh Ponnuru. A most disturbing statistic that I saw was that "only 32 percent of campus Democrats said they would be willing to serve in the armed forces if called up, versus 42 percent of the independents and 56 percent of the Republicans."

The fact that barely more than half of the Republicans on Harvard's campus and much less than half of the Independents and Democrats would not be willing to serve speaks to the lack of patriotism among the elitist left of academia.

I am proud to be an American, and not just because its the country I happen to have been born in but because of what america is: our nation is freest in the world and our nation is peaceful.

The appeasment and isolationism advocated by socialist academics has failed. We are the only super power in world, and if we do not defend freedom and peace, then who will?

The goals of freedom and peace are not easily attainable and when they are it is our duty to preserve, protect, and defend them. It is the evil dictators and warlords in the world that seek to dominate their peoples and others which breaks the peace that exists, and we must act to restore it.

The appeasement and isolationism that the socialist academics on our campuses advocate has been tried and it has failed, as it will fail if tried in the future. We are the only super power in the world and if we do not defend freedom and peace, then who will?

In closing, I would like to ask a question to the socialists and 'peace activists' that are organizing on campus: is there anything that you are willing to give your life for? Any cause, any idea, or any right?

I can tell you two things that are worth dying for: peace and freedom. As a patriot, if my government calls me up to defend them I will.

Cynic columnist Peter J. Morrison is a member of the Class of 2003.

U.S. Contributes to Terrorism

There is nothing wrong with wanting to feel safe. There is nothing wrong with wanting a world where justice prevails. Further, I should hope that most of us even want a world marked by peace and not by violence or terrorism.

Yet, these desires may be all that many readers and myself share in common. Over the past couple of weeks there has been an immense amount of clamor for war coming from D.C. It ironically appears that the loss of more innocent lives is the only way to stop terrorism.

Nobody is looking for lasting, socio-economic solutions to terrorism, other than pulverizing innocent populations with bombs and sanctions.

I want to see no more 9/11s. Dare I say that I want it more than our very government? Nobody in corporate America is talking about the deep links between the Taliban, the CIA, and U.S. oil interests. Nobody is honestly inquiring about what would drive humans to such desperate measures, or why they chose America. Nobody is looking for lasting, socio-economic solutions to terrorism, other than waiting until it happens and then pulverizing innocent populations with carpet bombs and sanctions.

How can you solve a problem if you are not honest about all of the pertaining factors? The fact is that the Taliban and bin Laden are our very own Frankenstein's monsters. The U.S. funded various rebel factions throughout the 1980s, in a covert war against the Sovietbacked People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan (PDP).

The fundamentalist rhetoric of the Taliban, most currently used to massacre thousands of innocent Americans, was initially fueled amongst these factional groups by the CIA. Writer Ben Vidgen revealed in Nexus Magazine in 1996 that "in a move to recruit soldiers for the Afghanistan civil war, the CIA encouraged the region's Islamic people to think of the conflict in terms of a jihad."

For years after the Taliban came to power, American oil interests took precedence over any talk concerning numerous human rights violations being carried out by that regime, including the rape and torture of men and women.

In April 1999, Congressman Dana Rohrabacher testified to the Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee on South Asia: "I am making the claim that there is and has been a covert policy by this administration to support the Taliban movement's control of Afghanistan [in order to] permit the building of oil pipelines from Central Asia through Afghanistan to Pakistan" I believe the administration has maintained this covert goal and kept the Congress in the dark about its policy of supporting the Taliban, the most anti-Western, anti-female, anti-human rights regime in the world."

But what, pray tell precipitated the attack on 9/11? This should be the true question asked in congress. Enough talk about where to strike first, or what other countries we can force to 'pick a side'. I want to know whence this animosity against Americans was born so that we can change the conditions that led to its development.

Could it have been the economic sanctions slapped on Afghanistan in 1998 as a result of the US embassy blasts in East Africa that were attributed to bin Laden? Those sanctions did nothing more than strengthen the Taliban's grip on the country by throwing one of the world's most impoverished areas into utter desperation.

Three million Afghani civilians are currently on the verge of starvation, and they blame none

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other than America for so callously punishing them because of an act presumably carried out by a regime that the CIA put in power.

Such situations, have led the exchief of the CIA's counter-terrorism staff in the Middle East, Haviland Smith, to conclude in a recent Burlington Free Press editorial, that the 9/11 attacks were an "almost inevitable" outcome of our Mid-East foreign policy ("Its My Turn," Sept. 13).

Bombing raids against thirdworld countries will not stop terrorism. Terrorism is a phenomenon born of struggle against deprivation, raised to a degree of irrational desperation. You want to truly stop terrorism? Be part of building a mass movement that can prevent the U.S. government from aiding brutal foreign regimes or organizations; that can lift debilitating economic sanctions from suffering countries; that can move towards a foreign policy of fraternal world-engagement as opposed to the 'world-is-my-playground' mentality.

As even President Bush said, the fight against terrorism will be a long struggle. On this point, I couldn't agree with him more-however, I think the struggle must be to oppose that which Martin Luther King, Jr. termed "the greatest purveyor of violence around the world": American imperialism.

Join SFPAGJ For 'Day of Bombs' March

To the Editor:

I am urging everyone con cerned with creating a more peaceful world to attend a meeting of "Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice,"

SFPAGJ, is planning several special events in the coming weeks. First, we are organizing a "Day School" to educate the public about why peace work is essential and how to attain it.

To unite the Vermont educational system we are setting up a convergence meeting of peace groups at UVM, Middlebury, Johnson State, Goddard, and other colleges around the state.

We also have a plan of action ready for the day the impending war breaks out. Should this day, otherwise known as the "Day of Bombs," suddenly arrive, everyone at the

university will meet at Waterman at 4:00 pm and march down the hill to meet with community members in front of the Unitarian Universalist Church (at the top of Church street).

We will gather in front of the church at 5:00pm that day, unless the war is initiated after this time, in which case the meeting will be the following day at 5:00pm. SFPAGJ then plans to an march down Church Street at 5:30.

To connect with SFPAGJ, which is committed to education and action for peace and global justice, join them any Thursday at 7:00 pm in Layfayette 111, or call Sophie Strosberg at 656-7059.

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Look Past Academia's Leftist Bias

To the Editor:

Over 7000 innocent people from more than 80 countries have been murdered, hundreds of thousands of people have lost their jobs, the stock market has

suffered it's greatest decline in 68 years, the economy has been plunged into a worsening recession and now comes UVM Prof. Luis Vivanco with the

following concerns: "we must also guard against the abuses of our leaders elected, and in W's case, unelected, and not be drawn in by their myopic, racist and self-interested declarations of war and blind retribution." The professor has every right to express an opinion, but this one was both fallacious and in poor taste under the circumstances. The comments are revealing of an unfortunate academic syndrome at UVM.

It may be thought silly of me, or

What is absolutely wrong is that other voices and opinions have been heard so rarely.

worse I may be carelessly lumped in with the "right-wing-of-America" but, as a person who finds all forms of extreme ideology stupid and oppressive, I have long been worried about the effects of the academic left on our political culture. My fear of the left has been heightened by the disruptive and often downright violent medley of students, anarchists, socialists and labor activists rioting in cities which host gatherings of the international economic community and G7 conferences.

Economic policy should not have to be discussed from behind barricades while hiding from violent, pseudo-intellectual hooligans. I'm sure that many of these activists have not failed to notice the impressive degree of calamity which can be caused to the capitalist system they hate by a few extremists. It would be stupid to ignore the roots of this hatred, which is born and nurtured on college campuses.

The proper way to deal with ideological attacks on western civilization is not to react with extreme words or actions but to rebut quotes from the Socialist Worker (see last week's letter from Kathleen Brown and Leah Burkhart) and the like with logic and an understanding of the complexity of our history.

I hope this task will be taken up by all at UVM who don't want to live in the world the Socialist Worker would create. The future planned by the Socialist Worker has been seen already, for example, in Stalin's massacres of 20 MIL-LION innocent persons, Tienamin square and the destruction of the culture of Tibet.

As one of the freest and best spirits of the 20th century, John Lennon, said, "If you go carrying pictures of Chairman Mao, you ain't gonna make it with anyone anyhow." UVM is sorely in need of more educators who are willing to point this out instead of creating trendy little radicals.

As Dostoevsky wrote of certain artists of his acquaintance, so also seem to go the prevalent campus political theorists of our day: "I think the artist painted me for the sake of two symmetrical warts on my forehead- a phenomenon! They lack general ideas so they make do with phenomena. And what a success he made of the warts in my portrait - they're alive!"

So have the warts of our American culture been painted as well by post modern academics: they're alive and our political culture has often been stripped of context or any redeeming value. Many of the causes that motivate academic activists are highly understandable. But, Good God, while they start from such

important concerns as racism, the environment, civil liberties and militarism, the cynical conspiracy theories they create and the cures far worse than the diseases they propose are not helpful.

I urge students to "subvert the dominant paradigm" at UVM. This means the dominant liberal-left version of politics and economics. Activist professors are apt to advance their own causes, not their student's factual literacy or reasoning abilities. I've seen the evidence of this by asking student activists over the years if they could tell me anything at all about the other side of their chosen issues and, sadly, they have consistently been only very shallowly informed about genetic engineering, the IMF, the GATT, the World Bank, globalization, environmental issues etc. even when they seek to educate others about these issues.

It seems clear that UVM students are often fed a politically correct, one-sided litany of wrongs, and don't hear the full, deep discussion they should have expected from their studies at a university. Surprisingly, student activists I speak with are often more than willing to admit that they have received very biased instruction, and are not hostile to my suggestion that they have therefore been ill-prepared to make a real impact on their issues.

Any professor disseminating neat indictments of our society who cannot make an equally strong case for opposing views of the facts is not engaging in academic or intellectual activity; they are engaging in propaganda. They should not go unchallenged!

On a related issue, in the nearly 10 years I have been observing political life at UVM, there has been only one guest speaker on social issues I can remember who was not from the left of political center. Scores of radical feminists, liberal Democrats, diversity activists,

anti-business activists, anti-military activists, friends of Mumia and so forth have spoken. I believe in freedom of speech and thought.

I don't object to the presence of any of these ideas on campus. What is absolutely wrong is that other voices and opinions have been heard so rarely. Where are the conservative speakers at UVM, where are the politically moderate speakers?

Where are the political speakers who don't represent some extreme and therefore fascinating ideology, but who are just competent and experienced writers, statesman or business people?

Where are speakers like my favorite moderate political columnist, William Raspberry, who shed more light than heat on our political circumstances?

I have rarely seen the political thoughts of UVM faculty in print in either the Record or the Cynic apart from those of the ubiquitous politically-correct contingent.

I wish UVM faculty with other views would speak out in on-campus forums more in the future and not concede all discussion by default to the most politically correct faculty members.

It would be educational to have a public debate between two UVM faculty members at least once a month to shed light on the many controversial issues of our age. Such debate would make it clear that there is more than one political point of view at UVM and that these views can be freely expressed. This has not been at all clear in the recent past!

Dr. Ian Robertson is a former UVM grad student, Class of 2001.

Resist Apathy: Take a Stand

To the Editor

Seventeen students showed up for the Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice meeting last Thursday, Sept. 28th. And yet, I highly doubt that only seventeen of us here at UVM are opposed to the threat of a looming US war with Afghanistan or with other nations that our government suspects of harboring terrorists groups.

I even more strongly doubt that those seventeen were the only UVM students affected, indirectly or directly, by the terrorist bombings on Sept. 11th. A recent New York Times poll revealed that 13% of the US population is against war. The numbers just don't add up and the question posed by those seventeen is this: where were you last Thursday?

I am writing this article neither to advocate peace nor to fight an impending war. The terms are too general to apply to the U.S. reaction to the terrorist attacks. But I am writing to fight apathy.

We, as university students, can combat a tiny war of our own; we can explore our government's decisions and become an active voice in future national events, whatever they may be. Our world has been turned on it's head and life cannot, and should not, continue as it formerly has here in Vermont. I urge you--not to become a peaceful voice, not a belligerent voice --but to simply become a voice.

Perhaps last week's turnout was so pathetically low because many here on campus associate the S.F.P.A.G. F.'s desire for peace with other rather vocal

student awareness groups, namely the International Socialist Organization.

Socialism is an economic arrangement. The possible death of 5,000 transcends debates over low taxes or Karl Marx, neither of which was mentioned at the meeting. The terrorist attacks have struck the center of the U.S.'s capitalist economy but they have also pierced the hearts of America in ways that go beyond fiscal means. It is this poignant agony and immediate, angry feeling of retaliation that we, as students, must first discuss. I attended last week's meeting not as a socialist, a capitalist, Republican or Democrat but as a concerned and aware American.

The Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice (S.F.P.G. J.), as their name implies, have indeed taken one stance on a multi-faceted issue. You may not agree with them. But at least they have taken a stand.

As our nation--no, our world--faces war, further terrorist attacks and even the horrifying threat of nuclear bombing, there are some out there who have refused to fade into the shadows of impassivity. Join them. Come to their meetings and sponsored teach-in to become more educated, more open and more informed as to the steps our nation will be taking in the coming weeks.

S.F.P.G.J. meets on Thurday's at 7:00 in LaFayette 111.

Carly Baldwin Class of 2002

UVM Should Reconsider Decision to Cut Men's Track

The following is a copy of a letter to the Athletic Director.

I just want to express my dismay that UVM has chosen to drop Men's Track.

My concerns are: How much money does this really save?

Women's track will continue, as it should, with the necessary infrastructure being supported for that.

Hockey continues despite it's ongoing bad publicity and often violent nature.

I watch my middle school son compete this fall in places like Thetford, (a truly remarkable celebration of athleticism),

I will look at this unique group of pure athletes and be saddened because UVM has chosen not to honor their outstanding personal efforts with a program where they can showcase their telept.

Accordingly, many of those hundreds of Vermont school kids present at Thetford will choose other colleges that will honor their efforts

Additionally the cessation of the UVM program cannot help but negatively impact the high school programs across the state.

My association with this group of kids, I have found them to be exactly the type of student athlete that UVM has always extolled as its model --compassionate, passionate and dedicated scholars -- a breed apart from the stereotypical "dumb jock."

Please reconsider this ill advised move away from the foundation of sport -- the basis of the Olympic movement!

Thanks for your consideration.

Dan Gibson M.T. (ASCP) Class of 1971 Fletcher, VT

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Campus Gets Ready for Homecoming

By CAITLIN TROMBETTA

Homecoming is typically associated with the first home football game of the season. Here at UVM, it is something much more than that- a weekend full of fun and school spirit.

"Homecoming and Family Weekend is a way to go out and show spirit at UVM," said Homecoming Fest chairperson Nicole Gregario. "It's a great way to get students, parents, and different groups involved."

This year's theme is "Sights and Sounds of Vermont," and there are many events planned throughout the weekend.

On Saturday, the 5th Annual Homecoming Parade will roll down College Street, starting at the Waterman Building and ending at the Church Street Marketplace, home of the Homecoming Fest.

Various groups will have floats that will be built the morning of the parade, including the Dance Team, the Outing Club, UVM Channel 12, Sig Ep Fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

The Homecoming Fest is free to all and is sponsored by UVM student organizations. It includes events such as the great pumpkin contest, carnival games, and more.

One highlight is the Vermonster contest at 2 p.m. Groups of four will see how quickly they can eat a Ben and Jerry's "Vermonster," a bucket of four pints of ice cream, brownies, bananas, hot fudge, whipped cream and various other toppings. Any group that wants to participate should register at Student Life before Friday.

"I can't wait for Homecoming!" said sophomore Niki Gamache. "It was so much fun last year. It was a chance for all of our friends and families to hang out together."

This year is expected to be a bigger celebration. "I'm most looking forward to everything coming together," said Gregario.

Music Department Celebrates 75th Anniversary This Weekend

By JENNIFER JENNET

UVM's Department of Music is celebrating the 75th Anniversary of its founding as a formal academic department with a series of events during Homecoming Weekend.

The annual Homecoming concert is Friday, Oct. 5, at 7:30 pm in Ira Allen Chapel. It will feature many of UVM's student ensembles.

The concert features the poignant Puccini "Requiem" and short compositions by UVM faculty composer Prof. Thomas Read, as a tribute to the alumni who perished in the recent terrorist attacks.

A "Recital of Chamber Music," featuring the Artist Faculty and students of the UVM Music Department, will be held on Saturday, Oct. 6 at 4:00 pm in the Recital Hall of the Music Building.

The "Gala Anniversary Concert" featuring Beethoven's "Ninth Symphony" will be held on Sunday, Oct. 7, at 3:00 pm in the Ira Allen Chapel.

The concert is performed by the University Concert Choir and Festival Orchestra under the of Prof. David direction Neiweem.

Neiweem highlights the unique opportunities the Galla concert presents: "Talented alumni from all over the country will join



Courtesy Photo Music Professor David Neiweem

UVM professors who taught them, plus students we hope will aspire and one day do the same."

Soloists include UVM alumni Katherine DeBoer, Monica Hahn, Kevin Hill, J. Michael Bohan.

The concert will include Beethoven's Ninth Symphony. Its ending is choral and based on "Ode to Joy." Prof. Schiller concludes that the poem is especially relevent to our community right now because it examines what joy

In the writing of Schiller "all mankind from all traditions and religions come together in brotherhood. The only way to describe that brotherhood is joy.

"The piece has become such a marker for happiness due to "the beauty of humanity itself and the love Beethoven used to set it to music."

Trustees Concerned With Retention Rates at UVM

Continued from front

At the beginning of this year, UVM offered 27 varsity sports. It will drop down to 22, but will still be above the America East average (the conference UVM belongs to) which is 19.

Director of Athletics Rick Farnham says the change will be better for UVM in the long run. Prior to the cuts, UVM was offering the greatest number of sports with the lowest level of financial resources as well as the fewest number of available scholarships.

However, statements like these leave some students puzzled. Sophomore Carrie Blow noted that the gymnastics team

Retention Rates of Local State Universities

UConn		87%
UNH		83%
UVM		82%
UMass		81%
UMaine		79%
URI	,	78%
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brings in a quarter million dollars each year and is a non-scholarship team. The timing of the decision also angered students.

Athletics are a factor in retention rates, but it doesn't affect as many students as much as housing and academic offerings.

Recent reports from the UVM Board of Trustees recommended the university focus on three major areas; enhancing quality, emphasizing marketing, and increasing merit-based aid.

UVM places above the nation-

There is no need to sound the alarm, but we should pay attention.'

-Dean Joan Smith

al average for selective public schools, which stands at 79.7 percent. The University has maintained a 82 percent freshmen retention rate, which falls in the middle within public New England state universities. UConn comes out on top with a freshmen retention rate of 87 percent, with UNH behind it with 83 percent. UMass-Amherst, UMaine, and URI all fall below UVM, with rates of 81, 79, and 78 percent respectively.

Here at UVM, students are more likely to stay past freshman year if they are Vermont resi-

Eighty-four percent of in-state freshman return, while only 81.9 percent, of out-of-state freshmen return.

According to the university, there is no need to panic. "We don't need to sound the alarm," said Dean Joan Smith. "But we should pay attention."

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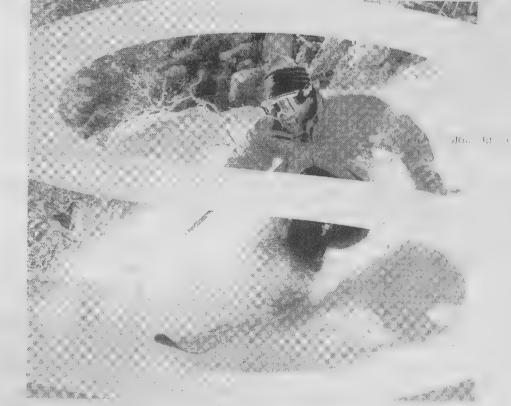
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Colodny Appoints Executive Assistant

Colodny appointed. Karen Nystrom Meyer as his executive assistant, a senior management position that will function as the president's chief of staff.

Meyer has served as the executive vice president of the Vermont Medical Society- a private, professional membership organization of Vermont physicians- since 1988. Meyer also has been a member of the university's Board of Trustees since last year.

"Karen Meyer possesses the leadership, organizational and strategic thinking skills that will strengthen our senior administrative team. We are fortunate to have attracted someone with her

Interim President Edwin high level of skill and breadth of experience to this key position,' Colodny said.

> Meyer's new responsibilities will include administration of the president's staff, communications coordination for senior leadership and representing the university's interests throughout the state and

> "I am honored to have the opportunity to serve the university in this capacity and believe that my experience and contacts both in and out of Vermont will assist in strengthening organizational and individual relationships that are important to UVM's future," Meyer said.

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Forensic Scientist to Speak at UVM

When Kary B. Mullis invented the polymerase chain reaction, or PCR he redefined the world of DNA, genetics and forensic science. The invention also earned the eccentric scientist the 1993 Nobel Prize in chemistry.

Mullis will deliver the 2001 Zeltzerman lecture at the University of Vermont at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 9, in Memorial Lounge, Waterman.

His remarks will focus on, "The Unusual Origins of PCR," a procedure used to detect DNA sequences, diagnose genetic diseases, conduct DNA fingerprinting, research human evolution and detect bacteria or viruses - particularly the AIDS virus. The free, public lecture will be followed by

a reception in Waterman Manor.

Mullis, a scientist and surfer who resides in La Jolla, Calif., earned a doctoral degree in biochemistry from the University of California at Berkeley. He was cruising Highway 128 from San Francisco to Mendocino in a Honda Civic when he conceived and developed the idea of PCR.

"I do my best thinking while driving," admitted Mullis.

The Michael Zeltzerman Visiting Lecturer Fund was established by the Zeltzerman family in memory of their son, Michael, a 1963 UVM alumnus.

For information, contact Gayle Bress at 656-0706 or email gbress@zoo.uvm.edu.

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UVM to Celebrate National Coming Out Week

A "Candlelight March to End Hate Violence" on Saturday, Oct. 6, will launch National Coming Out Week 'activities 'at the University of Vermont.

The march will begin at 6 p.m. at the Christie/Wright/Patterson residence complex and wind through campus to the UVM Green, where marchers will gather in a circle for sharing, reflection and contemplation.

March leaders will be the Rev. Lee Alison Crawford, new campus minister, and Dorothea Brauer, UVM's new lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) services coordinator.

Additional free, public events scheduled throughout the week will include:

Saturday, Oct. 6, 7:30 p.m. UVM Theatre Department's production of "The Laramie Project," the off-Broadway play about the murder of gay University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard. Free tickets to this performance only are available for LGBT UVM students through a from the Samara Foundation. Information/tickets: 865-9677

Sunday, Oct. 7, 1'- 3 p.m. Opening reception for the exhibit, "Love Makes a Family," featuring photographs of diverse families

and readings by parents of LGBT Vermont families and allies. Center for Cultural Pluralism Gallery, Allen House, 461 Main

Monday, Oct. 8, 2 - 10 p.m. Transgender Film Series. Films focusing on the lives and issues facing transgender people, selected by UVM's Free to Be GLBTA. Campus Center Theatre, Billings.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 3 p.m. "Climbing the Mountain: Social Change and Myths About Disability." Lesbian poet, essayist and activist Eli Clare, who has cerebral palsy, will examine the links between disability and marginalization based on race, class, gender and sexuality. Memorial Lounge, Waterman.

Tuesday, Oct. 9, 7 p.m. "XY Drag," a new film about female drag kings, will be shown at the UVM Women's Center, 34 So. Williams St.

Wednesday, Oct. 10. 12 - 1:30 p.m. Speak OUT! on the steps of Bailey/Howe library. Information tables will represent campus and community GLBTQA organizations.

For information, contact Dorothea Brauer at 656-8637 or email Dorothea.Brauer@uvm.edu

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UVM Faculty Forms Union for First Time

UVM Teachers' Union Officers

President Peter Stavrakis Vice President Linda H. Backus Secretary Lawrence B. Myott Treasurer Justin M. Joffe Grievances Kari J. Winter At Large Elaine D. McCrate David A. Shiman

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By BRANDON JOHNSON

The Faculty Union at UVM recently elected its officers. Unionizing late last year with the Association of University Professors and the American Federation of Teachers, the first operational structure of the union is now in place. President Peter Stavrakis of the Political Science Department will lead the negotiations with the administration as early as November.

Stavrakis stated that UVM's faculty unionizied because they are convinced it was the best option available to forward longstanding grievances with the administration in such areas as "morale," "compensation," and "governance."

For some it has been a long wait. Will Miller of the Philosophy department worked with his first UVM faculty union drive in March of 1973. He

believes the union is now the "best chance" to recommit UVM to teaching and to the state of

How the new union will interact with the student body of UVM is not yet clear. Bill Tickner, SGA President, said they would have to 'wait and see" how they fit into the unionization.

Stavrakis seemed more enthusiastic about working with students. He believes the administration's task should be to facilitate. "The central role must be students and faculty," he said.

Stavrakis listed students ahead of faculty intentionally in his campaign statement.

With the new union, a restructured Faculty Senate, and a continuing search for the next president, UVM is changing.

Stavrakis sees this time as a "great opportunity for students" and that "students should get involved."

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Cynic Question of the Week: What Keeps You Here at UVM?



"I came to U V because they gave a great financial offer. I am attending. UVM as an

out-of-state student almost free." Karina Hache 2005



awesome, but I think they need to cut down on the lazy, "Hippie" type. I'll stay here

because of the chill atmosphere and beautiful women."

Jared Lombardi 2003



love UVM. came here because of the medical program and because the campus beautiful.

Another liking of mine is the laid back hippie status."

Daryl Soares 2003



People cool, fun times. teachers good."

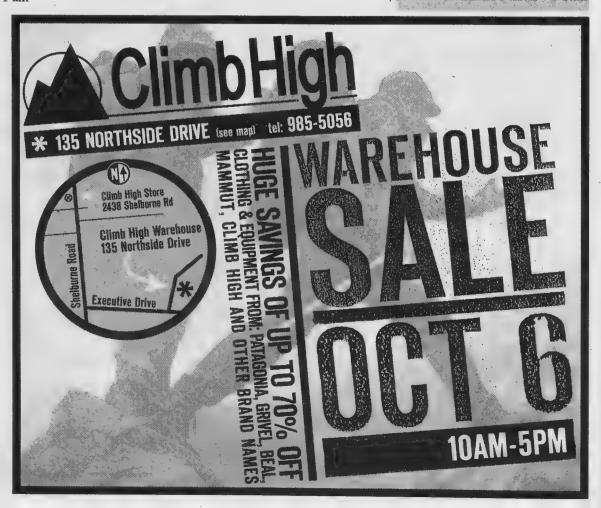
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"I like the area and nice campus."

Maegan O'Neill 2004

Evamarie Perron/VC Staff



ARTS & LEISURE

India House: Some Special Chicken

By LEE STETSON

The India House Restaurant is celebrating its 16th year in Burlington. It reopened this May after fire damage in February. Many parts of the restaurant are new.

India House does not try to over-decorate itself with a wildly extravagant exterior, or an elaborate interior. Simple white walls and white table cloths do the job. After all, its really about the food right?

I found this to be true. My meal started off with a tasty dumpling-like appetizer called Vegetable Samosa, which was



Andy Duback/VC Staff The India House Restaurant located on 207 Colchester Ave. conveniently near Centennial Field.

filled with potatoes and spices and deep fried to make it a thick, flaky pastry.

Along with this, I also tried some of the House Special Bread, which is a flat bread filled with cauliflower and spices. The breads along with other foods are cooked in a tandoor oven.

In order to sample a wide



spectrum of food, I decided to ask for the India House Special that features a variety of dishes from around the menu. The highlights of this platter (or should I say several platters; I needed four takeout containers to bring home!) were most certainly the Tandoori Chicken and the Seekh Kabob.

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The tandoor does something special to chicken. It's not fried, baked, or broiled, but there is a certain indescribable tenderness to the meat. The kabob looked almost like a sausage. Made from ground lamb curry, it is roasted in the tandoor oven.

Also served with this meal is an order of Naan, a traditional Indian flatbread cooked in, you guessed it, the tandoor.

To top off my meal, I tried a delicious Kheer, a hot rice pudding made with milk and raisins, and doused with piping hot cinnamon. This almost tasted like grape nut pudding, but with a thicker consistency. A great ending to a great meal.

The total of the meal came to about 25 dollars, but that could easily feed two or three people. The average meal price runs about eight or nine dollars, and there are plenty of appetizers and soups under three dollars, including Vegetable Samosa.

The staff is also notably friendly and helpful. My waiter, Amrik, was more than happy to tell me some of his favorite dishes. Owner Rattan Singh, clad in a blue turban, was extremely helpful in answering some of my questions about the restaurant. He said, "I want it to feel just like India [with] real Indian food."

As I walked out of India House, I hung around a bit to talk to some customers.

Chris Shay and his wife Kelly of Colchester have been eating at India House since it opened. "I never really tried Indian food before this place," said Shay, "but this is some of the best food in [Burlington]."

Magistrale Presents Kidder Lecture

By JENNIFER JENNETT

Anthony Magistrale, UVM Professor of English, will be presenting the George V. Kidder Homecoming Lecture on Saturday, Oct. 6, at 9:30 a.m. in the Campus Center Theater.

The lecture is titled "Edgar Allan Poe: America's Shakespeare."

Anthony Magistrale has earned a reputation for studying interdisciplinary aspects of American horror art. Magistrale's writing defines Anglo-American Gothicism, from its origins in eighteenth-century romanticism to its contemporary manifestations in popular culture, particularly in the work of Stephen King.

Magistrale traces the personal life and literary career of Poe, characterizing him as "an archetypal Romantic artist" and a "Renaissance type of guy." Topics include Poe's alcoholism, fears, and loneliness after the death of his wife.



Andy Duback/VC Staff Prof. Anthony Magistrale's office, on the third floor Old Mill, is a shrine to all things eerie and gothic, but otherwise harmless.

Magistrale highlights evolution in the interpretation of Poe's contributions to American culture:

"After Poe died writers, painters, filmmakers, musicians, even fashion found a way to appreciate him."

Amazon.com credits

Magistrale with "offering fresh

interpretations of timeless masterpieces like 'The Raven' and 'The Purloined Letter'" in his most recent book, *The Student* Companion to Edgar Allan Poe.

Anthony Magistrale has been teaching at UVM since 1983 after returning from a Fulbright post-doctoral fellowship.

In 1997 Magistrale won the Kroespsch-Maurice Award for Excellence in Teaching at UVM.

This year he was presented the George V. Kidder Outstanding Faculty Award.

George Kidder was the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences for thirty years.

Anthony Magistrale recalls that notable professors like Mark Stoler, Paul Escholtz, and Emily Dickerson have won the award in recent years.

"The crew is humbling... the award represents so much hard work," Magistrale declared.

101 Ways to Make Love Without Doin' It

Share Moments, Fully Clothed

By DAN McCLUSKEY

In a time of so much tension and rage, I believe it useful to keep in mind the other end of the spectrum. Instead of endorsing hate and retaliation, I propose making love...without actually indulging in the physical act of intercourse.

Upon my most recent trip to the Burlington Department of Motor Vehicles, I came across a pamphlet entitled "101 Ways to Make Love Without Doin' It." Given, this is college and so when better to unwind a bit?

Well, allow me to pose a question... is your immortal soul worth a bit of tussle in some flimsy loft while your roommate pretends to be asleep? A group of Iowa High School students think not.

Judging from the contents of this pamphlet, it seems as though these midwestern youngsters are very nature oriented. Number 13 suggests walking arm in arm through the woods and #54 says to go hiking together. Number 19 says to take a walk together while #58 proposes a moonlight walk together. And somehow older generations have the audacity to say that the children of today are not thorough.

I must admit that I am seldom touched in such a personal way by a piece of literature, but when I read that #33 suggests baking cookies, I was just about beside myself.

I had never before given thought to giving or receiving a promise ring or even giving pet names to each other (#52 and #67 respectively) but you better believe that it has since been added to my daily thought patterns.

I could not be an objective writer if I did not convey to my readers some of the concerns that "101 Ways to Make Love Without Doin' It" brought up. It seems that, though they do not promote coitus, they do endorse light to moderate petting. Number 47 dictates to hold one another close and

#2 recommends to give or get a hug.

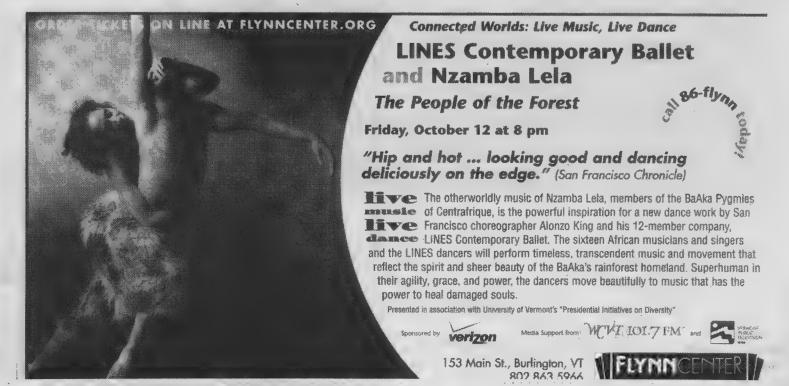
Even allowing people to play footsie in #94 is tolerable, but from there the line between companion and lover becomes clouded. I do not wish to disregard all of the positive aspects of the brochure but does #60, give each other sexy looks not go a little too

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far? And as for #29, touch each other in a loving way, well, I'll let the readers make up their own minds

In any healthy relationship, listening is one of the most important ingredients.

The leaflet, in my heart, redeems itself in #43 and #46, "listen to the hurts and listen to the joys," because isn't life just a little too short otherwise?



Astrology: The Stars Shine For You

By KATE ALLEGRINI

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 19): Your attempt to feed curious instincts and develop a better understanding causes you to over analyze. Take a step back and observe the problem at hand with a clear agenda before you drive yourself crazy with needless anxiety. Look into some form of stress reduction therapy.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): You've been avoiding loved ones recently while acting rather self-absorbed. Go ahead and call your mother. You've been making a big deal of seemingly insignificant circumstances life presents. Get over self-created barriers and down to the nitty-gritty by reexamining certain aspects worth devotion and evaluation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Now is a good time to reconnect with a person from the past. Let him/her know the extent to which you care. A simple phone call or thoughtful email can help fill the gaps to an unnecessary path of burned bridges. Be true to your feelings. Articulate your concern and you will help yourself in the process.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Depressed? A wise man once said the same people who complain about it being too cold are the same folks who find the humidity unbearable in the summer months. Stop paying so much attention to things you have no control over. Instead of feeling hopelessly stressed in traffic, take

time to reflect and breathe. Life is too short to worry

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Before barking back a quick-witted defense to the next argument or confrontation that comes your way, LISTEN. Hear the other point-of-view and imagine how someone could possibly feel, say or act in a certain way. Do this and if nothing is achieved, take the necessary and appropriate measures: brutal, physical force. Only kidding.

VIRGO (Aug.23-Sept.22): Now is the time to reinvent yourself. The circumstances may be alarming, but by looking at the situation with an open-minded attitude you'll only see delight. It feels strange to step outside of an apparent and self-created boundary. Get over these unnerving feelings because an exciting future awaits you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your ego seems to walk in a room before you do. You might want to cut it down a bit. You're about to enter a period of aging. If it hasn't passed already, it's approaching soon. Expect gifts from friends as your birthday nears.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23- Nov. 21): Your mother's haunting accusations of being a slacker are in your unconscious. Recent actions have marked an indication to your "laissez-faire" attitude. True, some things are not worth the needless stress, but you need to start and re-examine the obvious areas in your life that require more thought and devotion to details before you take a slip-shot

approach. Your peace of mind will be the first to reap the benefits

SAGITTARIUS (Nov.22-Dec. 21): Your dreams have been particularly memorable these last couple days and eerily mirroring real-life circumstances. Next time you wake up from your dream jot it down. Don't be afraid to get in touch with your unconscious feelings. Dreams have a way of eerily mirroring current life situations but only if you pay attention.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): No one ever said life was a bowl of cherries. Instead of looking upon outside resources for an answer or escape start by reexamining yourself and actions. Maybe taking a night off from the usual party routine is what your body needs before your immune system weakens and you start over dosing on Echinacea.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): In recent weeks you have begun to develop certain slightly irregular behavioral patterns. Before smoking your last Parliament or biting off one remaining nail, take a breather.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar.20): Be true to yourself. Instead of focusing on someone else's perception of you, start by paying attention to your needs. You need to stop being so hard on present circumstances you create as reason for concern.

The Laramie Project: Theatrical Journalism

By JENNIFER JENNETT

UVM will host the New England premiere of the critically acclaimed off-Broadway hit *The Laramie Project*. Performances will run on October 4, 5, 6 and 7. Tickets are \$12.50 for all seats on Friday and Saturday evenings and \$9 to \$11 all other performances.

The Tectonic Theater Project, under the direction of Moises Kaufman, traveled to Laramie, Wyoming a month after college student Matthew Shepard was murdered. Over the span of a year-anda-half, six visits, and two hundred intensely personal interviews, the play was compiled to present the diverse viewpoints of many members of Laramie.

UVM Theater's Marketing Director, Jeremy Thompson, points out that the play does not promote any one viewpoint or stifle characters into narrow categories of right or wrong. The play's purpose is to present the community members through their own eyes, with their own voices; not as a creative vision of directors or performers.

The play is powerful because it is true. Thompson points out: "Laramie is just another town. The incident could have happened anywhere. We need to look at how we react in the face of hate incidents

and on a broader scale, everything international."

Thompson boils it down to just that: the play, like life, is a process of becoming aware of human motivation and reactions:

"We need to examine crime that's motivated out of hatred judge what actions are appropriate and how responses range among

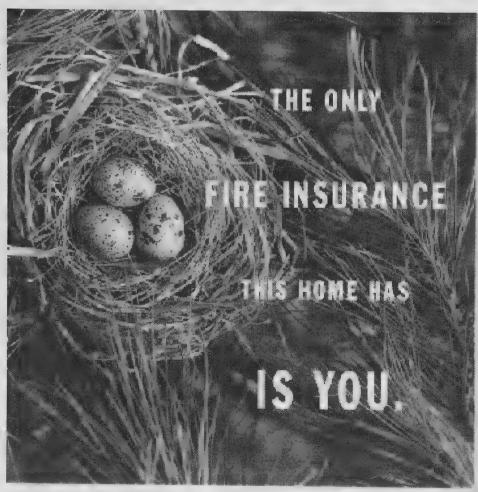
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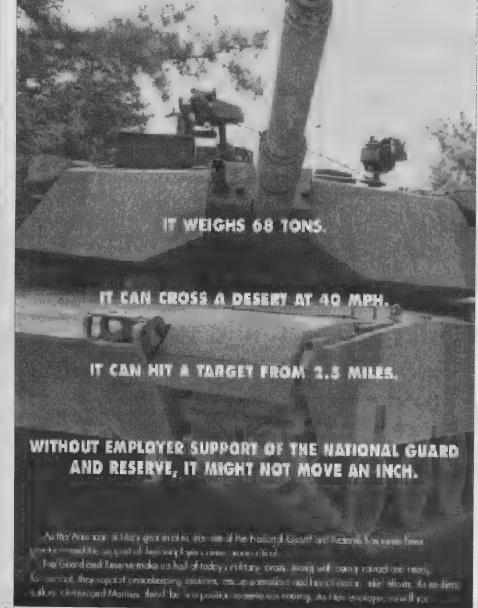
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members of the community." The play is horrifically relevant right now.

The Associated Press dubbed the play "an astonishing docudrama" because of the way accurate viewpoints are artistically presented. A vital aspect of the scenic design will be the projection of recorded and live video images depicting the media circus that surrounded the small western town after the murder.

According to Thompson, *The Laramie Project* is very different, and in ways more appealing than other local plays. He said, "It is rare to have a play so focused on a time and event that people can latch onto, remember and still critically examine."







Catamount Sports

UVM Hockey Gears up for Boston College

Coach Mike Gilligan Focuses on Season Ahead

By KRISTIN DOBBS

Head coach Mike Gilligan doesn't focus on all of the success he's had in the past. He isn't focusing on the loss of Graham Mink and other key players. He's focusing on the season ahead and their first game Saturday night against Boston College.



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Coach Gilligan meets with the players to discuss winning strategies.

"They're defending championsthey're going to be a tough ticket," said Gilligan. "They lost three pretty good underclassmen. If there is any year you want to get them early, it's this year."

Gilligan has had success with UVM hockey in the past, and plans to continue that success this season. He led his 1987-1988 team to the NCAA tournament, the first UVM team to earn a spot. Gilligan has led the Catamounts to the ECAC playoffs in 15 of the last 16 seasons, and to the league's final four three times (1988, 1989, 1996). In the past season, the Catamounts were the 10th seed in the ECAC tournament and upset topseeded Clarkson.

Gilligan began his coaching career at Salem State, his alma mater, in 1975 where he compiled a .727 winning percentage (128-48-2, 6 years), the second-best Division II winning percentage in ECAC history. After head-coaching Yale the 1983-1984 season, he was named to succeed Jim Cross, and became only the third coach for UVM hockey.

A former defenseman, Gilligan realizes some the biggest challenges of the season will be taking care of the defensive zone. Freshmen will be key this season, with injured players and losses from last year. "There are some kids in pretty good shape, and some are banged up. Based just on recruitments, I am going to need to be depending on four or five freshman."

With the loss of Mink, Gilligan knows he has players to step up. "It hurts anytime to lose Mink," said Gilligan, referring the recent indefinite suspension of the senior forward. "We're going to ask some other kids to pick up the slack. But, we wish him well."

By KRISTIN DOBBS

With the recent loss of s Graham Mink, one would question whether the UVM hockey team is prepared to dominate the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference in the 2001-2002 season. Ask any member of the team, and they'll tell a different

"We're going to need a lot of guys to step up their goal production and they're all- around play," said hockey captain Ryan Cox. "But we've got a lot of guys who are really going to pick it up."

The Catamounts will look to prove they can succeed this season with their home opener 7p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, against NCAA Champions Boston College at Gutterson Fieldhouse.

"BC is going to be a good team," said forward Bryson Busniuk. "They are going to be quick... they're going to come out flying."

BC defeated North Dakota 3-2 in overtime to win the NCAA 2001 Championship, its first since 1949. It lost three key players to the NHL draft, so like most teams, are looking for players to



University Photography Bryson Busniuk will prove to be a strong offenseman this season.

fill those spots.

After the home opener against BC, the Catamounts will go down to play New Hampshire the 13th, before returning to Gutterson the 20th to face off against Boston University.

Players looking to lead the Catamounts in those games will be key returnees Senior Forward Cox, Senior Defense Mark Gouett, Junior Forward Busniuk, and Junior Goalie Shawn Conschafter.

Even with those and other returning players, the team is looking to work on defense and to replace the goals Mink would have scored throughout the season. It will look toward production from all parts of the team if they want to compete in the ECAC.

"I think even last year our

Saturday, Oct. 6 Vermont v. BC 7:00 PM, Gutterson Fieldhouse

team was an offensive team." said Busniuk. "They've brought in a lot of good freshman... they're going to have to come into their own."

Many believe that the underclassmen will be an asset to this year's team. "I know we've got some freshmen to step right in," said Conshafter.

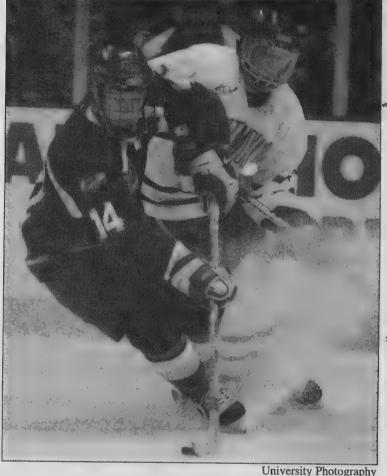
The team is even more excited this year because they open at

'I already have got the chills about stepping out onto the ice. I've been staying awake many nights thinking about the feeling.'

Ryan Cox Vermont Captain

home. "I can't wait," said Cox. "I already have the chills about stepping out onto the ice. I've been staying awake many nights thinking about the feeling. It's a great opportunity to open up with the defending national champions in your home barn."

The team is excited about the fans this year also. "We have some of the best fans in college history," said Busniuk. "Nothing really compares to this. They'll be yelling, we'll be pumped up."

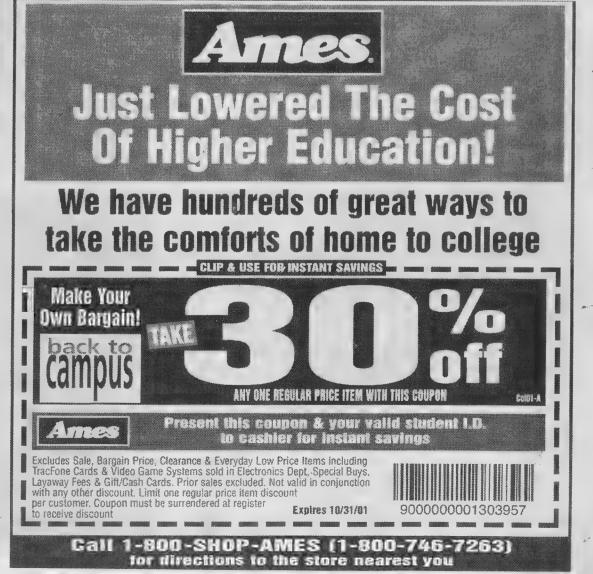


In last season' sgame against Dartmouth, Jeff Miles fights for the puck. Miles hopes this season will end with an ECAC Championship.

The Catamounts will need the fan support at every game as they face tough competition in the ECAC Conference. "The conference is going to be tight, as usual," said Conshafter. "Especially Clarkson Dartmouth. We've got some dues to pay them; they'll be good

UVM has had three NCAA appearances, with its most recent in 1996, where it had its highest finish earning a spot in the Frozen Four. In its 38-year existence, the team's all-time record is above .500 at 553-508-52.

The key to success this season will be keeping the intensity through the long season, from October to March. They will keep their focus on the wins ahead and not the losses they have already



UVM Sports Briefs

Volleyball Team Ends 41-Match Losing Streak



Eva Stefanac

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The University of Vermont volleyball team snapped a 41-match losing streak that dated back to October of 1999 with a 3-0 victory over Plattsburgh State Tuesday at UVM's Patrick Gym. The win, Coach Rick Gouse's first at Vermont, gives the Catamounts a 1-10 mark this season. Vermont was 0-27 last year, and finished the 1999 season with four straight losses. Vermont's last win before tonight was on Oct. 22, 1999, a 3-2 victory over St. Michael's. The Catamounts took the first game, 34-32, and then cruised to 30-17 and 30-23 victories in games 2 and 3.

Freshman Chelsea Molloy (Rockville Center, NY) had 13 kills to lead Vermont, while Amelia Koopman (Croton Falls, NY) had 10 kills.

Women's Tennis: Cats Top Siena in Opener

Final Score: Vermont 4, Siena 3

Vermont held off a late Siena really to post their first win of the season in the team's opening match. A late victory by Maika Foukal over Siena's Betsy Brookins secured the win for the Catamounts.

Singles: 1. Nikki Mayer (S) def. Molly Moran (UVM) 6-4, 6-2; 2. Andrea Disponzio (S) def. Joanna Kahn (UVM) 6-1, 6-3; 3. Maika Foukal (UVM) def. Betsy Brookins (S) 6-4, 3-6, 10-4; 4. Alie Taylor (UVM) def. Anita Puduserri (S) 6-1, 6-0; 5. Brooke Fisher (S) def. Susannah O'Brien (UVM) 5-7, 7-5, 10-4; 6. Liz DeCurtis (UVM) def. Jenn Fahr (S) 6-2, 6-4.

Doubles: 1.Mayer/Disponzeo (S) def. Moran/Kahn (UVM) 8-6; 2. O'Brien/Taylor (UVM) def. Brookins/Fisher (S) 8-4; 3. Danielle Fleury/Ali Pelkey (UVM) def. Puduserri/Collen Brady (S), 8-0.

MacDonald Leads UVM Field Hockey Past URI

Final Score: Vermont 4, Rhode Island 1

Forward Kristen MacDonald (East Greenwich, RI) scored once and added two assists to lead visiting Vermont past Rhode Island, 4-1 in a nonconference contest.

The Rams struck first when Crystal Mohr (Bainbridge, PA) found the back of the net at 24:12 of the first half. MacDonald answered with UVM's first tally off an assist from Amanda Paquette (Brownsville, VT) with 1:57 left in the first half to even the score at 1-1.

The Catamounts were able to hold URI scoreless in the second stanza and tally three more goals to secure the victory. Co-captain Sara Mercanti (Clarks Green, PA) finished off an assist from Steph Shield (Manakin-Sabot, VA) at 26:27. Freshman Megan Carey (Brewster, NY) converted a feed from MacDonald four minutes later to put UVM up 3-1. Fellow Brewster, NY native Katie Henry closed out the scoring as MacDonald picked up her final assist of the day.

Holly Colberg (Mohegan Lake, NY) made three saves in net while Danielle Dangoia (Bridgewater, MA) recorded three stops for Rhode

Vermont improves to 3-6 on the season, while Rhode Island falls to 3-6. The Catamounts return to action on Tuesday when they travel to Albany to take on the America East newcomer at 4:00pm.

Men's Tennis: Cats Sweep Holy Cross, 7-0

Final Score: Vermont 7, Holy Cross 0

In defeating Holy Cross, 7-0, Vermont swept all six singles and all three doubles matches en route to their second victory of the fall season.

Singles: 1. Zeljko Knezevic (UVM) def.

Gerry Benedicto (HC), 6-4, 5-7, 6-3; 2. Duncan McDonnell (UVM) def. Tim Carey (HC), 6-3, 6-2; 3. Dimitri Eguer (UVM) def. Mike Corey (HC), 7-6 (4), 6-3; 4. Joshua London (UVM) def. Diego Gutierrez, 6-2, 6-1; 5. Jon Cooper (UVM) def. Rich Roberts, 4-6, 6-4 (10-4); 6. Matthew Spring (UVM) def. David Daedd (HC) 6-3, 6-4.

Doubles: 1. Eguer/Knezevic (UVM) def. Benedicto/Roberts (HC), 8-3; 2.Cooper/McDonnell (UVM) def. Carey/Gutierrez (HC), 8-2; 3. Johann Liljengren/Spring (UVM) def. Corey/Daedd (HC), 9-7.

Records: Vermont 2-1 (Fall Season)

Hall of Fame to Induct 10

A five-time NHL All-Star, a first-team soccer All-American, a men's basketball conference player of the year and two All-American skiers are among 10 former University of Vermont student-athletes who will be inducted into UVM's Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, October 5, 2001.

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Cats Top McGill 4-0

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Co-captain Jamie Farrell scored two goals to lead Vermont Men's Soccer to victory over Canadian powerhouse McGill

Today:

Cats v. Hartford 3:00 PM, Centennial Field

Saturday at Centennial Field.

After a twenty-day break due to the the recent tragedy and cancellations, the Catamounts were definitely ready for some action.

With the assist from Junior Midfielder Tim Parisi, Farrell scored the first goal 17 minutes into the game.

In the 26th and 27th minutes, Keli Helgason and Jason Allen scored for the team, moving in McGill's Diedricksen, who made ten saves throughout the game. T.J. Mead assisted Helgason for the goal with a corner kick.

Thirty five minutes into the game, Farrell finished the scoring with an unassisted goal, making it 4-0.

Freshman Sullivan Silva had his first start as he filled in for injured teammate Hutchins.

"I hope I can fit in and help the team out the best I can with Hutchin's temporarily out of the



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Jamie Farrell, number 17, led the Catamounts to victory against McGill with two goals at Saturday's Game.

game." Silva said.

Even though Saturday's game was an exhibition game, it safe to assume what the season will be like with America East games. "Yesterday was a good indication of how we'll do from

now on." said Farrell.

The Catamounts start playing America East games Tuesday Oct. 2 against Hartford at 3:00 pm on the Centennial Field.

Upcoming Athletic Events

Tuesday, October 2: Men's Soccer vs. Hartford, 3:00 PM

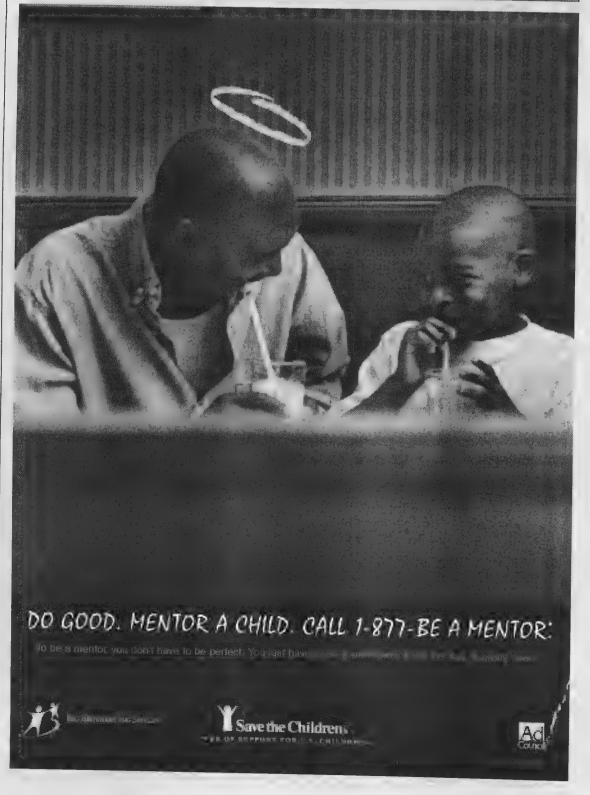
Thursday, October 4: Women's Soccer vs. Albany, 3:00pm

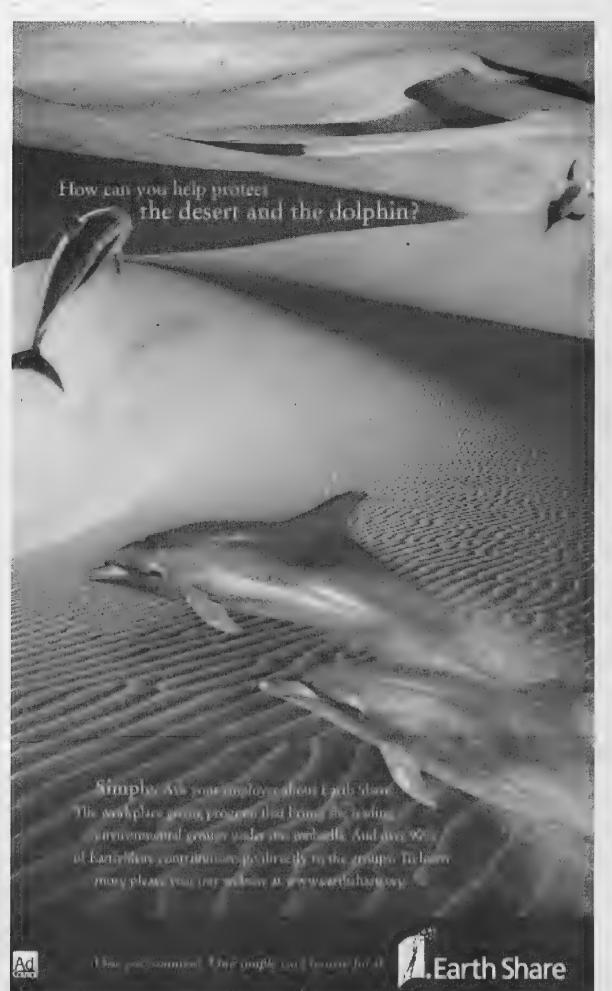
Friday. October 5: Field Hockey vs. Drexel, 3:00pm

Saturday, October 6:

Men's Tennis vs. New Hampshire, 1:00 pm Men's Hockey vs. Boston College, 7:00pm

Sunday, October 7: Field Hockey vs. Delaware, 12:00pm

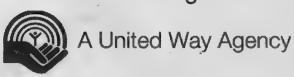








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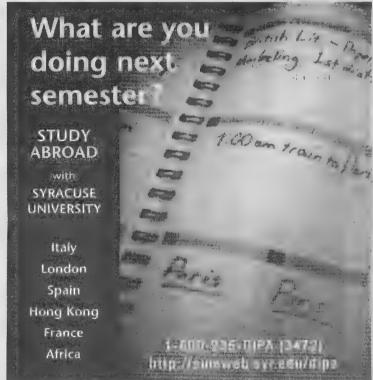
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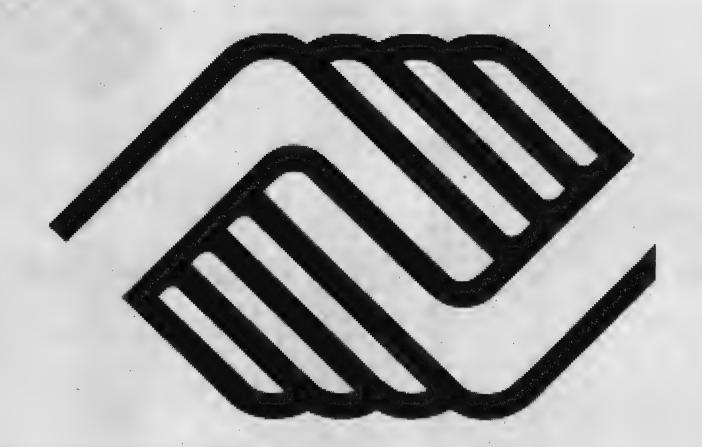
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This is the mutch Stephen Hollingsband. Jr was wearing when he encountravel a drawk driver. Time of death follows.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.





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Emotion Through Art

Andy Duback/VC Staff

Students react to the Sept. 11 attacks through the expression of art outside Alice's Store on East Campus.

Economic Downturn Threatens Financial Aid

By KATE ALLEGRINI

Eligibility for financial aid proves to be a determining factor for a potential student during the "college hunt" process.

The events of Sept. 11 may have an impact on UVM students requesting financial aid.

Director However, Admissions and Financial Aid Done Honemon is hesitant to rate is at a ten-year high and the speculate on the ramifications of the economic downturn.

the immediate impact," he said. "The bottom line is that it is too early to tell."

The economy right now is what many economists consider a recession. With the psychological repercussions of recent events, the current economy is unlikely to recover anytime soon.

President Bush has recently

"I am also concerned that, should I need financial aid. if UVM will be able to provide for my own needs."

-Devon Lennon

ordered a 60 billion dollar tax cut in an effort to help stimulate the lagging economy.

The current unemployment future job market is uncertain.

How the University will acco-"Prospective students will have mate the financial needs of students is an open question. With the recent announcements by Governor Dean of an expected loss in, the University may be strained in filling financial aid

> Qualification for financial aid depends on a family's income the prior tax year.

Some students expressed

concern in how the aftermath of Sept. 11 may very well affect their future.

"I am worried because I already pay full tuition here and now this may affect my father's ability to financially support a very expensive tuition," said junior Devon Lennon. I am also concerned that, should I need financial aid, if UVM will be able to provide for my own needs."

Other students were considered for fellow classmates who might not be able to return next

"I feel bad for a friend of mine," said freshman Anna Solvell.

"Her father has recently been laid-off and now she is uncertain she will be able to return because she does not qualify for financial aid based on UVM's previous year income standard as an indicator." .

UVM Shuts Down File-Sharing Programs

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Computer Science major Micaela Marshall, couldn't wait to get to her dorm room to hook up her brand-new computer and log onto Morpheus, a hot file-sharing program.

Although she has collected hundreds of music and video files throughout her stay at the University of Vermont, she craves more as the weekly Billboard chart comes out.

"I came here expecting a fast connection," Marshall says, as she scrolls through her playlists to find a song. "Instead, I've gone through at least three file-sharing programs and downloads are really slow."

Marshall isn't alone. Many students are experiencing problems with the network, whether they are logging onto their zoo account on the internet, writing a paper, or downloading old Simpson's episodes.

Roger Lawson, director of Computing and Information Technology, says, "this problem has evolved as the semester has proceeded."

The year has been more' clogged with file-sharing programs than ever, as students seem

to arrive at the dorms prepared to download. "They come to UVM with the knowledge of these programs and plugged in and were going." Lawson continues.

CIT is busy trying to render the problem that comes along with hundreds of students logged onto

360 Morpheus servers were active and accounted for a quarter of UVM's total connection

their servers: slow connections.

"It started with Napster nearly two years ago, and has emerged into a file-sharing frenzy. Last summer a list of protocols came out that we were not aware of, such as KaZaA, Bearshare, and Morpheus."

These file-sharing programs have been taking up quite a lot of space on the university's network. For example, when it was detected that over 360 Morpheus servers were active and on campus at the beginning of the school year, the use accounted for almost a quarter of UVM's total connection.

Students have been downloading more videos and software now as well, files which are a great deal bigger than music files.

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A Welcome Home

Kristin Dobbs/VC Staff

UVM welcomed parents and alumni to Homecoming weekend Friday through Sunday.

Fraternity Helps Struggling Athletic Department

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

The University of Vermont's athletic department gratefully accepted a \$500,000 scholarship fund given by the Vermont beta. chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

The money stems from the

'They can do something like this to help make a difference for us.

-Rick Farnam

proceeds of the fraternity's chapter house located on 396 Main Street. The house is currently under the management of Champlain College and serves as a dormitory.

In a press conference on Thursday, president of local Sigma Alpha Epsilon alumni Sandy Preston and athletic director Rick Farnam discussed the ing about happy news as opposed gift and the plan on implementing to standing in front of my student the large sum.

stock market will cooperate a little more than it has in recent weeks, but we're prepared to dip into principal if we need to make sure we come up with at least forty thousand dollars a year for scholarships." Preston said.

The fund will be in an investment account at Chittenden Bank and will hopefully accumulate more money over time, so the scholarships can be given out on an annual basis.

After cutting five varsity sports in the athletic department and a mix of financial obstacles across the board, Farnham believes that the attitude is chang-

"I'm ecstatic to be here talk-

athletes and coaches to tell them "Basically, we're hoping the we're going the other way." Farnham says with a smile.

"I think it's the beginning of something. The beginning where others can see that they can do something like this to help make a difference for us."

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Cyber Classes: Are They Worth It?

By ALEXANDRA TURSI

For centuries the educational system was comprised of student and teacher in the same place at the same time.

Today, that has changed. Webclasses have become an option for those whose schedules or lifestyles aren't conducive to regular class hours on campus.

There are over 20 currently offered at the University of Vermont. They were first offered the summer of 2000. The classes are open to everyone, and registration is available by web or phone. The Division of Continuing Education was the forerunner in creating such classes and making them available to students. This remains their role to date.

Web classes are web pages used as a link for all elements of a course, guiding students through the course and directing them to course-related materials. The site includes an overview of the course, readings, lectures, and activities and is further divided into modules equivalent to two to three hours of instruction.

As in a regular class, students complete quizzes, tests, and papers. Sheila Boland Chira, who teaches American Literature,

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It's Time to Wake Up

The suicidal terrorists who hijacked four planes on Sept. 11 killed over 6,000 individuals. They killed husbands who kissed their wives goodbye for the last time, mothers who forever parted with their children as they sent them off to school, and little boys and girls who never had a chance.

Rescue workers rushed to the scene to save lives, many losing their own in the process. Now their colleagues pull them from the rubble. They fight the stench of burning flesh, working diligently to clear a scene of utter devastation.

Many at UVM have opposed the nation's firm resolve to fight the war against terrorism. They believe retaliatory attacks on terrorists and the nations that harbor them may result in the loss of more innocents.

Tell that to the child who sits by the window waiting for daddy to come home, to the husband who will never again feel his wife's embrace, to the family who will have empty seats at their Thanksgiving table, to the mother who cries herself to sleep at night over pictures of her daughter, to the parents who ask if anyone has seen their son. Tell that to the wife who received one last phone call from her husband and the wife who didn't. Tell that to the brother who buried a brother and four best friends. Tell that to the parents who never thought they'd outlive their children.

Open your eyes.

The Stress Is Mounting

Almost a month has passed since the unprecedented attack on American soil, and UVM seems to be recovering well. The UVM community has reacted as most college campuses across the nation- no violent protests, but an increase in political activity from both ends of the political spectrum.

The campus has changed though in the past month. For most of us, our biggest concern has shifted from making it to class on time to issues of national security and war. Televisions are tuned in to CNN instead of MTV.

Activities such as peace rallies and teach-ins have sprouted up around campus. Student groups set up fundraisers such as UVM Cares.

The media has also had a significant impact on society in recent weeks. We are constantly bombarded by images of death, destruction, and terror throughout the day. The names of bin Laden and the Taliban are household names around campus. Patriotism flows everywherefrom ribbons to flags on cars.

The events of the past month have made us question the roots of society: religion, public policy and the economy. While we are dealing with those issues, we are also faced with the problems of college as if we weren't in this national situation.

Midterms, papers, and work all add up, along with the aftermath of Sept. 11, to make things pretty stressful right now.

Athletic cuts have also affected UVM, with many athletes losing the opportunity to participate in varsity sports, causing some to contemplate transferring.

Economic troubles have also been a cause of stress for many within in the past month. Many parents have lost their jobs, and many more cutbacks are expected.

Governor Dean has discussed major cuts in revenue for the state in the next fiscal year, which is a factor for all of us at this state institution. Many students question whether they will be financially able to come back to UVM next year.

It looks as though now that our nation is going to fight back and attack the Taliban and the nations that harbor them.

For some, it is a welcomed idea in punishing those who attacked our innocent victims. Others believe that there should be no more bloodshed, for anyone. Whatever your political view, it is important to be tolerant of the other side.

Now is not the time to be creating conflict amongst ourselves. We have enough to deal with

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Rethink U.S. Foreign Policy

To the Editor,

While I do not want to get caught up in a war between the pages of the Cynic, I feel I must respond to the "September 25 Letter does Injustice" letter. Not only did the author misinterpret the first letter "Official Teach-in Biased and Incomplete," but she further proves how misinformed and manipulated the American public is.

I again must start off with the argument illustrated in the former letter; "Reacting with such hatred and retaliation, we offend the memories of those who died, we further disgrace America, and we become just like the murderous terrorists." This does not justify the terrorists' acts, but instead makes us reevaluate ourselves, and lets us ask why someone chose to target the United States?

And of course, no one can "rationally argue that 7,000 hard working American civilians deserved to lose their lives—for any reason." This is why we must: 1.) Understand America's imperialist history and our effects on the global population, and 2.) Resist violence—no more innocent deaths!

In her words, the author's own letter is a "testimony to [her] obvious ignorance of American history, and those that have given an ultimate sacrifice." This ignorance is understandable, due to the myopic view of America's media; however, we must rely on ourselves to learn history not traditionally presented to the American public. Here are six common themes seen throughout our foreign history:

First, military interventions are explained to the public as defending the lives and rights of civilians. Yet the military tactics often leave behind massive civilian "collateral damage." War planners make little distinction between rebels and the civilians who lived in rebel zones of control, or between military assets and civilian infrastructure, such as train lines, water plants, and medicine supplies. The U.S. public always believes that new military technologies will avoid civilian casualties on the other side. Yet when the inevitable civilian deaths occur, they are always explained away as "accidental" or "unavoidable."

· Second, although nearly all the post-World War II interventions were carried out in the name of "freedom" and "democracy," most of them in fact defended dictatorships controlled by pro-U.S. elites. Whether in Vietnam, Central America, or the Persian Gulf, the U.S. was not defending "freedom" but a capitalist ideological and economic agenda. In the few cases when U.S. military forces toppled a dictatorship such as in Grenada or Panama—they did so in a way that prevented the country's people from overthrowing their own dictator and installing a new democratic government more to their liking.

Third, the U.S. reproaches violence by its opponents as "terrorism," or "ethnic cleansing," but minimizes or defends the same actions by the U.S. or its allies. If a country has the right to "end" a state that trains or harbors terrorists, would Cuba or Nicaragua have had the right to bomb U.S. targets to take out exile terrorists?

Fourth, the U.S. often portrays itself as a neutral peacekeeper, with nothing but the purest humanitarian motives. After deploying forces in a country,

however, it quickly divides the region into "friends" and "foes." This strategy tends to enflame rather than dampen a war or civil conflict, as shown in the cases of Somalia and Bosnia, and deepens resentment of the U.S. role.

Fifth, U.S. military intervention is often counterproductive even if one accepts U.S. goals and rationale. Rather than solving the political or economic roots of the conflict, it tends to polarize factions and further destabilize the country.

Sixth, U.S. reaction against an enemy leader, tends to strengthen his hold on power. Take the list of current regimes most singled out for U.S. attack and put it alongside of the list of regimes that have had the longest hold on power, and you will find the same names. Qaddafi, Castro, and Saddam, may have faced greater internal criticism if they could not portray themselves as Davids standing up to the American Goliath, and (accurately) blaming many of their countries' internal problems on U.S. policies.

The author asked if "anyone actually believes that the fact that "the Gulf War killed as many as 200,000 Iraqis has any relevance to this attack." The answer is a resounding yes. The Gulf War is a clear example of why America is denounced around the globe.

In 1991, the U.S. unleashed a massive bombing assault against Iraqi government and military targets. Over 200,000 Iraqis were killed, including many civilians. Furthermore, "for more then ten years the U.S. has deliberately pursued a policy of destroying Iraq's water treatment system. The U.N. estimated that more than 500,000 Iraqi children have died as a result of sanctions, and that 5,000 Iraqi children die each month" (www.theprogressive.org). How would we feel if the same happened to us?

The list of grievances continues into the relevant issue of Afghanistan, where the U.S. "helped to create the environment which breeds anti-American terrorism" (Thomas Nagy). On top of this, the military is now poised to kill thousands of foreign civilians, in order to prove that killing U.S. civilians is wrong. If we bludgeon Afghanistan into submission, we will lose the war on terrorism, while inadvertently slaughtering some millions of its inhabitants. We can choose, in other words, between futile genocide and productive peace.

What can we do to truly stop terrorism? We must go to the root of the problem and change the systems that purveys violence, instead of endlessly murdering in the name of political, military, and economic interests. We must stop training terrorists at the School of the Americas in Fort Benning, GA; we must stop our bullying of smaller/less powerful nations; and we must create in a humanitarian sense.

As citizens, we must wade through the propaganda thrown in our faces, and question the government that is partially responsible; our own!

The innocent that died on September 11 were just one small part of the endless cycle of death. We must remember that we are the same people, all over the globe.

Kathleen Brown Class of 2005

To the Editor:

We created the rabid dog named Bin Laden-all the more reason why we should take him down. You don't negotiate, plead, or cajole with a rabid dog-even if he used to be your best friend. You take a gun, you put it to his head, and you shoot

It is not our fault that the Taliban is in place. Pakistan created the Taliban – not the United States. Pakistan did it though with money that it stole from the US that was destined for the Mujahedin. Why though? I'll get to that.

There is a fundamental problem with the ISO and SFPAGJ. They are taught to use facts that are convenient to prove their feeble arguments while ignoring those that don't. This is what they have been taught by the self-righteousness of a

Perhaps it is because of a certain middle-aged man, a charismatic manipulator who preys on students' idealism. He is not a UVM professor, nor is he a student - yet this apparatchik is playing a prominent position in these organizations. He takes a student's idealism and perverts it, brain-washing students with half-truths and propaganda. He doesn't respond to questions with rational discourse-rather he preaches when he speaks and punctuates others' speeches with boo's hisses and phony exclamations of shocked surprise.

I call on the members of those organizations to think for yourselves, form your own opinions based on facts, not the "Socialist Worker." In the 02 October Cynic, an Opinion quoted Representative Dana Rohrabacher who 2 and a half years ago said that there was a covert policy to support the Taliban movement's control of Afghanistan for oil... kept Congress in the dark about its support for the Taliban...etc.

If you're going to quote Congressman Rohrabacher, why go so far back? Last month he said that "This vast quantity of oil that we know exists in central Asia cannot be brought to market because a

pipeline will never be built through Afghanistan while the Taliban is in power."

And that "The Taliban was created with money siphoned off of our support for the "moderate Mujahedin" by the Pakistanis who built the Taliban to control Afghanistan after the war." I guess he knows more now than he did

Republicans and Democrats, Liberals and Conservatives, and even Bernie Sanders and Jim Jeffords have come together in this tragedy. The self-righteous neo-hippies with their slogans insist that we cut a deal. If we cut deals with terrorists or the countries that sponsor them, if we change our admittedly flawed foreign policy because someone killed thousands of Americans – we have failed to learn the lessons of Neville Chamberlain and shame, shame for picking dishonor instead of war.

Because as Churchill said, right before WWII after appeasing Germany "Instead of war, we chose dishonor, and because we chose dishonor, we'll have war."

Most important of all, our freedom comes at a price. That price is paid by the vigilance of our Police Departments, our Fire Departments, and our Marines, Soldiers, Airmen, and Sailors. Every one of them puts it all on the line for next to nothing in money and until recently - little appreciation.

If wearing a flag makes you feel good-great. If you thank one of those people today-outstanding. If you really want to help-each and every one of those organizations needs your help. You can contribute much more by joining one of the above than sitting on the sidelines or marching in the ridiculous "Day of Bombs" parade.

If you want more info on how you can join any of those organizations: contact me at:

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Thank you, and God Bless America.

> Jon G. Kantor Class or 2003

Look at Facts, Resist Dishonor, Must We Sacrifice Civil Liberties?

By BRANDON JOHNSON

Bombs are flying as I write. Bush said last weekend that the US would provide "help and friendship to the Afghan people." Now. . . .? Last week the columnist to the right basically said he would gladly fight, kill, slaughter for America because his country was one of the most "free" and "peaceful." There is an obvious poverty to the pro-war argument. We are not "peaceful" and our waging war will do nothing but recruit for terrorism. Our response to that will be to fight for freedom by fighting freedom-by attacking directly our civil liberties at home. Bush said that Osama bin Laden "hates our freedom"; it is Bush who is curtailing them.

Pick Orwell or McCarthy, the new Office of Homeland Security, a cabinet level position, would be worthy of both. And who will lead it? None other than Governor Tom Ridge of Pennsylvania: best known for his murder of 214,

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two-thirds of whom were people of color, with the death penalty. He is also the same politician most to blame for the failure to grant Mumia Abu Jamal a fair trial. I remember Ridge from when I was protesting the Republican Nation Convention in Philadelphia last year. Trumped up charges, police brutality, and medieval-stylejails greeted all those who choose to exercise a voice for democracy.

And what will his new powers be? It's not just wiretaps, not just random search and seizures; even more disturbing, Ridge is currently trying to enable law enforcement officials to hold certain individuals indefinitely. Mainstream magazines such as Time are even running pieces questioning whether Ridge's Office will have the muscle to carry out its tasks.

We in the peace movement love our freedoms. Are we willing to fight for them? We do so everyday.

But we're not satisfied with the insignificant right to complement a president unconditionally. We are harder please. We want the right of Americans in southern Texas not to live in third world conditions. We want the right of the Afghan people not to live in third world conditions either-not giving the hate on which terrorism breeds the means to grow. We also want the world to have the freedom to live without fear of terrorism: that includes looking at US foreign policy. At the anti-bombing rallies, it is that hope we will hold highest.

Cynic columnist Brandon Johnson is a member of the Class of 2002.

By PETER J. MORRISON

Among the various issues that our new "war on terrorism" has raised is the issue of civil liberties and whether we have to sacrifice them in order to be more secure. This gets to a fundamental decision that we all must make in the conflict between the individual and the collective whole of the nation: which one must be considered superior?

The individual and his or her inalienable rights must be held up against the passions of popular opinion and the pressure on government to suspend or revoke them.

In my opinion the individual and his or her inalienable rights must be held against the passions of popular opinion and the pressure on government to suspend or revoke them. The fact that one of the few powers granted to the federal government in the Constitution is to provide for the national defense speaks to the importance of this function. To this end, I believe that the government and its agents must be given wide latitude in exercising this responsibility. This latitude must not violate those liberties that are enumerated in the bill of rights.

In fact, our liberties are not limited to those enumerated because they are innate. They are not granted to us by government; therefore they cannot rightfully be taken away by government. If we do act in absolute observance of civil liberties, then when we do act we will do so in a morally justifiable manner, knowing that we are right and that we acted with liberty and justice for all.

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I know it is out of style to revere those old dead white guys who created this nation, but in times like these, when public passion is especially dangerous and when majority of Americans in public opinion polls are willing to give of some liberties for safety, I think we must remember their wisdom. In a letter to Thomas Jefferson in May of 1798. James

Madison said, "Perhaps it is a universal truth that the loss of liberty at home is to be charged against provisions against danger, real or pretended from abroad." We now face a danger from abroad that is

real; however we must not allow or liberty to be taken.

Cynic columnist Peter J. Morrison is a member of the Class of 2003.

You Just Got Here: Stick Around to See What UVM Has to Offer

The idea of college life is clearly glorified through the media. While watching "Undeclared" with some friends the other night, I noticed how unrealistic most movies and television shows about college are.

Viewpoint

In fact, we get all kinds of unrealistic impressions of college. The notions we get from the media, siblings, friends, and campus tour guides, are truly not what most of us experience.

What is college truly like then? The answer is simple-there isn't one. The college experience is different for everyone. I know that the first month of college has been much different than I expected it to be, in good and bad ways.

First off, I don't know everyone. Coming from a small high school, I knew everyone. For my friends and me, only seeing a small number of familiar faces is odd and sometimes disheartening. Not that I expected to know everyone here on this large campus, but being hours away from friends and family can take some getting used to. You don't see many of those kids in movies and television shows not knowing anyone on campus.

Secondly, you can't party every night and not suffer the consequences. I mean, in the movies, you can find a party, have a great time, and come home whenever, or even not

at all. But in real life, you have classes and work that and went down to the Cynic office. Within 10 minutes I needs to be done. Nothing hurts more than having no sleep and having to sit through a lecture, and I've found that out the hard way.

The first month of college has been an interesting one, I've had to deal with making new friends, finding my way around campus, doing tons of work, and finding a way to become part of the UVM and Burlington communities.

Nothing hurts more than having no sleep and having to sit through a lecture. I, for one, have learned that the hard way.

There are freshmen that have already decided that they don't like being part of the UVM community, even after only one month. I was thinking that this could be because it doesn't fit their ideal of what college should be.

I think college should be what you make of it. I think it can be easy for freshmen to just hang out in the dorms and go to class. I see it all the time. But I think that this isn't the way to become a part of the UVM community.

It is important to get involved in something you love to do. This has seriously changed my college experience in just a few weeks, and for the better.

I knew I wanted to get involved at UVM, but it took me a little while to get enough nerve to do so. I bit the bullet

had a assignment and the rest is history. Now that I am an editor at the Cynic, I feel more a part of the campus; that I am more than just another face.

Put down your transfer applications and take a look around. You just might like what you see..

UVM isn't for everyone, and I know that. The first weekend that I arrived, I asked myself constantly, "What am I thinking? I should have gone to UConn with all of my high school friends!" Now that thought is furthest from my mind. Don't knock UVM before you've tried it.

Put down those transfer applications and take a serious look around. You might have to do a little searching to finding your niche on campus.

We haven't even reached midterms yet. It might take awhile for the realities of what college is really like to sink in. Hopefully, then, you'll like what it truly is here. UVM might turn out to be better than what you idealized college to be.

As one of my professors recently mentioned, we still have 31 more months in our undergraduate career.

Kristin Dobbs is the Cynic's News Editor and a member of the class of, 2005

Bombing Only Hurts Afgan Women

By NANCY WELSH

"But you're a feminist." That's what a friend said to me the other day. "You must want the U.S. to take charge of Afghanistan."

Viewpoint

The despotic abuse of women by Afghanistan's Taliban regime is well known and well documented. Since the Taliban came to power in 1994, urban middle-class Afghani women (who, unlike rural and poor Afghani women, had experienced some liberalism in the 1980s) have been barred from education and employment. They have suffered beatings, disfigurement, and murder for such "crimes" as speaking in public.

I am beyond stunned when I read such reports. I find that a response such as "I condemn this" is not nearly strong enough. Yet I do not support a U.S.-directed military strike against this country. I do not support a covert operation aimed at eliminating the Taliban. I see no evidence that bombing a country is good for women. I see no evidence that a covert operation—such as further aid and arms for the "Northern Alliance" rebel factions—will be good for women either.

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Instead, I find plenty of evidence that the opposite is true. Consider the conservative U.N. estimate that 1.5 million Iraqi men, women, and children have died as a result of U.S. bombs and, especially,

sanctions since 1990—actions against Iraq that have only strengthened the standing of its leader. Consider the systematic abuse of Afghani women by the U.S.-championed Northern Alliance.

Those abuses, which include rape, the shelling of residential neighborhoods, the use of land mines, restrictions on women's education and actions, and the rebel factions' full participation in the murderous civil war of the early 1990s that left more than 50,000 civilians dead, have been documented by Human Rights

Watch, Amnesty International, and even the U.S. State Department. The evidence is clear: U.S. military and economic actions kill women; U.S.-supported "freedom fighters" kill women too.

But there's more to my friend's statement than just confusion as to whether war can be good for women. This friend also assumes that our government has women's welfare in mind.

What's happened in Kuwait since the U.S.'s intervention? Where women are still denied voting rights and the Kuwaiti government has reduced or eliminated penalties for crimes against women.

Again, the evidence shows otherwise. Despite the Taliban's open and brutal subjugation of women, the U.S. enthusiastically supported this government through 1998. The U.S. now praises the Northern Alliance factions despite their equal disregard for women and—contradiction of contradictions—despite their ties to international terrorist networks. Our government's interest in Afghanistan seems to have nothing to do with bolstering human rights and stamping out "evil" and everything to do with the geopolitics of oil.

Speaking of oil, lest we be fooled again into thinking that the U.S. aims to create an open and democratic society through this latest call to arms, recall that in 1990 George Bush Senior announced that we would "liberate" Kuwait and secure it for "democracy." What's happened since in

Kuwait—where women are still denied voting rights and where the Kuwaiti government has reduced or eliminated penalties for crimes against women - is far from democratic

The U.S. has also been waging war (there's simply no other way to put it) against its own poor and working-class women through the repeal of Welfare's food, health, housing, and education programs.

If you don't understand what I mean, talk with the adults and children you'll find at the various community centers and boys and girls clubs in Burlington, Colchester, and Winooski. Learn about the temporary shelters and motel rooms where too many of these kids and their mothers are living. Learn— and wonder—how they are managing to live.

Worry too about what's ahead as our government diverts even more resources away from human needs and towards military build-up, corporate bailouts, FTAA fast-tracking, and, yes, the Star Wars scheme, all in the name of "homeland" security.

So, no, I can't accept the false logic that says "The Taliban is bad for women; therefore, the United States should wage war against them." That faulty construction leaves out the question of just why we're amassing such a mighty force (three times the firepower used against Iraq in 1990) at the borders of an already devastated country whose connection to the tragedies of September 11 is tenuous.

That faulty construction ignores the deadly consequences of such a war for

The U.S. has been waging war against its own poor through the repeal of Welfare's food, health, housing, and education systems. You can see, even in Burlington, the terrible conditions in which children and their mothers are forced to live.

women and how little regard the United States and its allies have shown for women within its own borders and around the world. That logic also shuts out the voices of Afghani women whose activist movements have persisted in the midst of incredible repression and who have clearly stated—when the media has paused to listen that they do not want bombs and do not want the Northern Alliance either.

By pointing out the flaws in my friend's logic, I'm not saying that we—you and I—do nothing at all. We can urge our government to stick to dropping food, massive amounts of it, on drought-stricken Afghanistan. (The idea that we need to bomb the Afghani people first to make it safe to feed them is another bit of bizarre logic that must be abandoned.)

We can also hold the U.S. government, its allies, and its agents, including the World Bank and World Trade Organization, accountable for their (lack of) regard for human rights. We can tell our government to drop its deadly sanctions against Iraq and, while we're at it, Cuba too. We can tell the media to stop exploiting images of shrouded Afghani women and start listening to their voices instead.

And maybe especially, here and now, we can come together to call on the United States government, its allies, and its agents to stop sending arms to the warring factions in Afghanistan, including the Northern Alliance. These so-called freedom fighters are not fighting for the freedom of women.

Nancy Welch is an associate professor in English and a member of the ISO.

Smoking Contradictions?

By BILL WOODEN

Smoking... I'll never understand it, and I'll never really want to understand it. If I figure out why people do it, I might actually justify it, which is not what I want to do. More people are smoking now than ever, even though we have adds and messages everywhere saying that it causes cancer and other harmful consequences.

Viewpoint

Here is a question: it has nothing to do with smoking. Does the mind have more power over the body or does the body have more power over the mind? What I mean by power is more control. Most people would say that the mind is the dominant one, which makes sense. I mean, we wouldn't be able to move if our mind didn't tell our muscles what to do.

I'm sorry people, this actually does have to do with smoking. Most smokers tell me that they can't quit because the physical addiction is too great or that they couldn't handle what it would do to them. But, if you agreed to the above statement that the mind has more power over the body, then in theory you should be able to quit just by wanting it.

This means either that the body actually has more control over the mind, or what I think is true, that most smokers don't actually want to quit, even though they say they do. The body-control theory, of course, is also possible because many people, when in a lot of pain, cannot solve simple problems since the pain is consumes all thought

Many smokers try to tell me what it is like to have an addiction, but this still doesn't make me believe that they couldn't quit if they wanted. I like to work out, so they might say that it is like working out for a long time, then trying to quit suddenly—your body will go nuts because it doesn't like change.

But a life-time of chain exercising doesn't take years off your life; it adds more instead. I try to tell smokers that if it was proven that watching TV was cancer causing or was taking years off my life, I could quit watching instantly because my need for a healthy life is more important.

Despite what they say, I think that most smokers actually don't even want to quit.

So, to end, I don't want to say that smokers are bad people, because they're not. My mom is a smoker, and I love her as much as I can love anyone. But her smoking is what got me thinking this. I have told her her many times that all I would ever need for every Christmas for the rest of my life is for her to quit smoking, and she *still* doesn't.

All I can say is to just stop and look at what you are doing, not just in terms of smoking, just in all aspects of your life. Then decide if you are helping or hurting your life. You only get one chance -- you might as well make it mean something.

Bill Wooden is a member of the class of 2005

Activism Conference

To the Editor:

A Student Activist Conference will take place on November 3rd at UVM. The theme for the conference is social justice and community organizing. We are looking for students who are interested in being involved with the planning process and coordination of the conference

The format of the conference will be a panel discussion in the morning followed by round-table discussions in the afternoon. The discussions will focus on particular topics, which will be generated by conference organizers. We need students to help direct the focus of this event—this is a conference for students, therefore, it should be developed by students!

We need students to create a coordinating committee to accomplish the following: recruit a wide range of students and student groups to plan and participate in the conference; promote social justice and activism issues that are important to students; develop roundtable discussion topics; recruit panelists and discussion leaders; conduct fundraising for the conference, and publicize the conference.

What social issues are most important to students? Please share your thoughts, ideas, and resources so that we can join together. Remember, activism can take many forms and can occur in many places—we would like to see a broad range of student interests reflected in the conference! Please contact:

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10/2 Cynic Corrections

1.) The Cynic mistakenly referred to Eli Clare as a lesbian poet; he is in fact a transgendered poet.

2.) The Cynic misattributed a quote in our piece on the Music deptartment's 75th anniversary, which said that "Ode to Joy" is "especially relevant to our community right now because it examines what joy is." Prof. Neiweem, not the poet Schiller, made this commemnt.

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Students Lose File-Sharing **Programs**

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which run upwards of 400+ MB. Matthew Bailey, a senior analyst for Webnoize, a company that investigates programs and filesharing usage, says that the average file size has increased and continues to do so.

"Video sizes won't get smaller," Bailey says in a recent article in The Chronicle for Higher Education. "If anything, they're going to get bigger."

Also, it has been found that the problem isn't primarily when students are downloading files, but actually when the users share their

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> -Matthew Bailey Chroncile for Higher Learning

files with outside connections.

The only temporary fix for the network problem has been to cut off the connection to programs on campus, one by one, in an effort to make the Internet faster for all.

CIT started with KaZaA and Morpheus, two of the most popular protocols.

'When we did that, it made a big difference...for about an hour." Lawson says.

"One approach that's been suggested for reducing bandwidth

consumption is to educate students, faculty, and staff about network abuse." Williams states in a CIT discussion group.

The other possibilities include increasing the bandwidth, though this won't do much in the overall picture., and to start taking steps to enforce UVM policy.

"Copyright enforcement is real", says William. "Though UVM does not monitor content or copyright violations, the copyright holders do.

"We regularly receive complaints from copyright holders. We are obligated by law to follow up. If the violation is confirmed and the violator continues, the copyright holder can press charges or sue."

UVM isn't the only university having difficulties with bandwidths, as The University of Delaware, the Rochester Institute of Technology, and Salem State College are also experiencing the same, and struggling to deal with

It's safe to say that although the network has seemed to speed up a bit in the past week or so, it's only a matter of time until it regresses back to sluggish results

Unless students limit or stop their downloading capabilities altogether, this could make for a very slow year on the Internet at UVM.



Kristin Dobbs/VC Staff

Students Lauren and Katy Unger spend an afternoon studying to avoid getting behind.

Students Must Stay Focused to Stay Ahead

Many students are reporting that they are off to a slow start academically this semester. Because of the events of September 11th, we did not have those golden weeks of easing into

Most people who had personal losses and close calls have had trouble concentrating, Others who were not as directly affected are also experiencing difficulty.

These indirect effects confuse many people, who need to remember that, through the media, everyone has heard about and witnessed ugly trauma, funerals, and threats to our country. It is not an easy time for any of us.

Don't allow grades on papers or exams to become preconditions for feeling good about yourself.

October will make it or break it for many students this year. Getting too far behind will mean that a November and pre-exam "save" is unlikely.

Some students are already so concerned about their courses and GPA that they are immobilized.

still time to talk to advisors, professors and assistants in the appropriate Dean's office.

Dropping one or two courses may be the best solution for some (check regarding financial aid), while tutoring and help with papers in the Learning Co-op or attending study sessions may be the solution for others.

Fall 2001 is a good time for students to check out support services, even if they have not used them before.

What about help with motivation? "At the UVM Counseling Center, we offer both counseling and short consultations, depending on your needs.

Some students make one or two appointments in order to have a confidential, free, supportive place to let go of their anxiety and make a plan for negotiating the rest of the semester.

Don't allow grades on papers or exams to become preconditions for feeling good about yourself. This kind of either-or thinking-or thoughts like, "if I can't do great I might as well not try"-will sabotage learning.

Other things to avoid are pro-

Rather than stay numb, there is jecting your own distress onto other individuals or ethnic groups, and using alcohol or drugs to "relax or forget."

We find that when students consider dropping out of school, anger, depression and substances Through the media, everyone has heard about and witnessed ugly trauma,

funerals, and threats to our country. It is not an easy for any of us.

are often what got in the way. Try to seek support before you reach

Considering last month's events, this semester may be the time to hang in there, show up for class and labs, prioritize, negotiate, and do the best you can under the circumstances.

But don't make it up as you go along: plan things out. It is still October and there is time. Please don't wait to devise your own plan to make it successfully through this semester.

-Kay Frances Schepp, Counseling Center, Center for Health & Wellbeing

Cyber Classes Introduce New Way of Learning

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describes diversity as one of the most beneficial components to teaching on-line. Her students include a student athlete, high school teacher, and a student from New Hampshire.

"Web classes are student-centered and student-directed so you have to be a self-starter as well as have the motivation to learn in this style," said Ellen Fox, from Continuing Education.

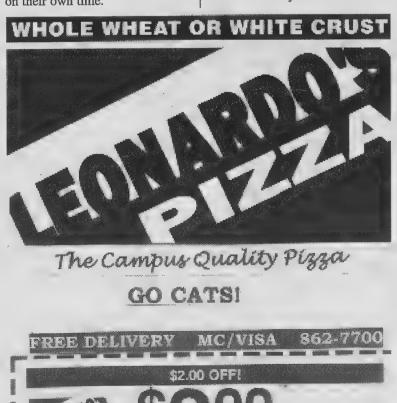
Joel Goldberg, from the chemistry department describes "asynchronous interaction" as one of the motivating factors for his involvement. Both Chira and Goldberg note that students can access these classes where and whenever they would like.

The new format poses challenges for professors and students. Professor Larry Shelton, currently teaching his first web class expresses that "it's a challenge to rethink what I teach and how I teach it." To get a better grasp on the new format, professors took an online course through the Distance Learning Network.

The most controversial aspect of web classes is social interaction. Without sharing ideas and engaging in discussion, it seems that students would be missing out . Shelton stated that there is a definite loss of interaction but also added that students can still connect. Students can post questions and comments on discussion boards and engage in live chats.

Many students don't like this prospect. "What I enjoy most about class is the immediacy of reactions between students and the way we feed off one another's energy," voiced first-year Katherine Van Wagner.

Web classes will now be a part of the educational system. However, it seems that they are best suited for students who need the convenience of taking a class on their own time.



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ARTS & LEISURE

A Fabled Man of Eloquence

By DAN McCLUSKEY

Five hundred and nine years ago, King Ferdinand and Queen sabella of Spain commissioned a Genoan explorer to retrieve gems and spices from India. Instead, Cristopher Columbus ran into the continent that we now call home.

History books speak of his journies and conquests. History books also speak of his part in the raping and pillaging of the native people.

What the history books fail to mention, however, is Christoper Columbus' love for and pursuit of dance.

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From an early age, Christopher was traditionally educated in navigation, though at the age of seven, was befriended by an Umbrian



Christopher Columbus

man known only as Roberto.

Roberto was a member of a traveling dance company and took an immediate liking to young Christopher. For the fortnight that the group stayed in Genoa, Roberto taught the boy who proved to be a natural and on the final evening,

Christopher performed with the company and displayed talent well beyond his years.

The following morning, Christopher's father heard of his son's activities and punished him harshly. He viewed dance as evil and effeminate and forbade his son from any further participation.

Christopher hid his artistic ambitions from his father and on the evening before his eightennth bithday, left home to follow his dreams

Highly educated, Christopher used his nautical expertise as a vehicle by which he could fund his own dance troop.

Chronic lower back pain led to his full time sailing and eventually the discovery that would immortalize him.

Though we as a community no longer observe the day once set aside to remember this man, perhaps Friday could be used by everyone to in some way pursue a dream...Christopher would've wanted it that way.

Flynn and UVM Team Up to Teach African Culture

Alonzo King's LINES Contemporary Ballet will be performing a new work, *The People of the Forest*, at Burlington's Flynn Center on Friday October 12 at 8 pm. The sixteen African musicians and singers of Nzamba Lela and the 12-member dance company will reflect the spirit and beauty of the BaAka'a rainforest homeland.

A free Central Africa Community Teach-In featuring visiting Professor Michelle Kisliuk will take place in the John Dewey Lounge on Thursday, October 11 from 2-4 pm. There will be a music workshop with Nzamba Lela on Thursday, Oct 11 from 4:30-6 pm in the Southwick Ballroom, Redstone Campus.

Beauty Pagents: Education Through Competition

By JENNIFER JENNETT

If your dream is to become Miss Vermont USA or Miss Teen Vermont USA, now is the time to become involved. To be Miss USA you must be single, a Vermont state resident, and as of February 1, 2002 between the ages of 18 and 27. To be Miss Teen USA you must be single, a state resident, and as of July 1, 2002 between the ages of 15 and 19.

Scoring is based on three equal categories: interview, fitness,/ swimsuit, and an evening gown/runway competition. As a state finalist you will need an evening gown, a swimsuit, a dress or suit, a sponsorship fee UVM students save on the entry fee. The state pagent will be held at the Burlington Radisson on October 27th and 28th, 2001.

Prizes include a \$40,0000 college scholarship, dental package and all expenses for the trip to the national competition.

Michael Galanes, the Director for Miss VT USA and Miss VT Teen USA, became involved in the planning of pagents after he saw the benefits winning held in store for his good friend, Charlotte Lopez, the 1993 state and national winner. Lopez has continued on since the pagent and has stared in nine major motion pictures and seventeen commercials.

Galanes states typically within a year of winning the state title, girls receive another \$40,000 \$75,000 in modeling contracts. For most girls, says Galenes, "The pagents are a beginning, a vehicle to get the next level" which could be professional modeling, international relations. acting, journal-

ism, public relations or politics."

Pagents continuously spark controversy over the physical portrayal of women and common stereotypes. Galanes points out the positive aspects of competition and maintains that pagents are often empowering for women.

Galanes says women most likely "use their crown and sash to create a louder voice and following." Winning pagents can be a way for women to highlight the community service they are involved in.

State winners are often from the UVM and Burlington community. Jennifer Ripley, a UVM student during Fall 2000, was Miss Teen Vermont USA 1999 and competed in the 1999 nationals in Louisiana.

The televised nationals gave Ripley a chance to interact with Carson Daly, NYSYNC, Julie Morah, Ally Landry, and other celebrities. The girls were treated like royalty, escorted in limos and constantly guarded by police.

Ripley's attitude demonstrates how the pagents are linked to education and community service. If she wins she will use the scholarship money to attend UVM and earn a degree in elementary education. Pagents are a way for her to pursue a passion while working towards a stable career:

"I only go for fun. If you go only to win you'll be disappointed. Even if you lose you can still walk out of there with a great experience and new friends."

"In a perfect world every major university would be involved, every sorority, team and club would represent their home."

UVM students receive a special rate for entry. For more info call (407) 896-5787.

311 Brings *Chaos* To Memorial

By GREG SIMEK

Touring in support of their new album, *From Chaos*, 311 performed at Burlington's Memorial Auditorium on Friday, October 5. As can be expected, the audience consisted mainly of high-school and college students.

The crowd remained fairly calm during the opening act, the band Onesidezero. Only towards the end of their set did several moshing circles form. Quite frankly, this band didn't offer much excitement because their sound was a less artistic imitation of Staind and the Deftones. Onesidezero was definitely heavy. The tempos moved along at a grinding pace and the songs bled into each other without much variety.

When 311 took to the stage, the crowd erupted as massive amounts of fog spewed into the air, incense burned on stage, and the colorful lights chaotically rotated around the auditorium. The stage show definitely rocked as bubbles were blown into the audience during "Champagne" and confetti blasted up during the encore.

The band performed songs from each of their albums. The two crowd favorites appeared to be the well known songs, "Down" and "All Mixed Up," which featured an extended mid-section that caused the audience to loudly sing along. Additionally, there was an extended drum solo where the whole band was banging' away on floor toms.

While the band played a few of their more relaxed, reggae-influenced songs that gave the crowd a short break, the rest of the songs were hard-rocking, necessitating much crowd-surfing, jumping, and other antics. During the encore, the crowd enthusiastically chanted "U.S.A." and Nick Hexum tipped his hat toward the September 11th tragedies and called for American unity before completing the 25 song setlist.

311 was an extremely tight band and commanded the stage exceptionally well. The only necessary complaint is that the sound was a little too bass-heavy and ambient. Overall, Friday's 311 concert was an extremely energetic and skilled hard rock show.

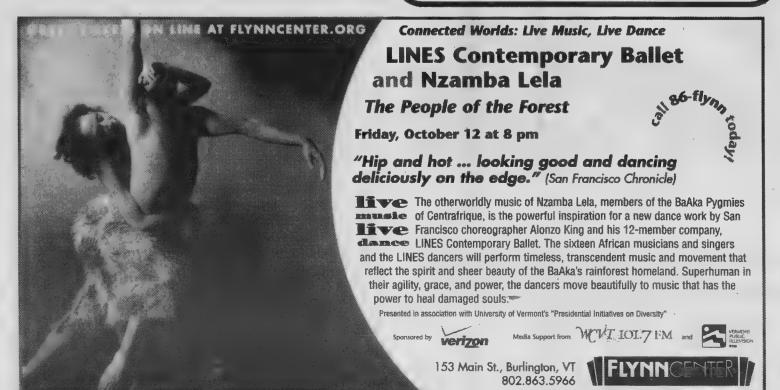
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Catamount Sports

The Age of The Comeback



PRESS Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

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Ok yes, everyone knows that Michael Jordan has left retirement and returned to the courts. First it was Mario Lemiuex and now its MJ. But now they are both back, not just dragging out their careers because they don't want to let go, but to do what they always did, succeed.

Mario has already proven that he still has

what it takes, and in a way so has MJ. This will be Mike's second comeback attempt, but there was no baseball career sandwiched between this one. Neither one will be able to put up the numbers that they had once showcased in the past though. But when I think of athletes that retired while in their prime and that could still come back and be as dominant as they once were, the first name that pops in my head is Barry Sanders.

One of the greatest backs ever in the NFL, Sanders shockingly decided to call it quits right before the 1999 season. At the time he was second on the all time rushing list, only behind Walter Payton, but would have been sure to break Payton's record that he was only a little under 1,500 yards from the yard line. He rushed for at least 1,100 yards every year he played, including the 1997 campaign that saw him rush for an unreal 2,053 yards.

Barry electrified crowds with his sleek and silky moves that made defenders trip over their own feet. Sanders left the game at the age of 30, and is now only 33.

Barry could still comeback today, though

and be a star in the NFL. There is no doubt that he knows he would have broken Payton's record and established himself as the best back ever. Sanders played the game how it should be played, he was not one to taunt or run his mouth, and in fact every time he scored a touchdown his only form of celebration was running up and handing the ball to an official.

He won't unfortunately make a comeback. It is too bad that he had to run away from the game so soon, and leave us wondering what might have

Eagles Claw Cats, 5 - 1

By LISA OBRENTZ

In front of a sellout crowd at Gutterson Fieldhouse, the Cats played their first game of the season against defending NCAA



Andy Duback/VC Staff A Cat fights for the puck as the referee lets it roll.

champions, the Boston College Eagles. After a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of September 11th, the Cats took to the ice. UVM played three inconsistent periods, before inclining to BC with a final score of 5-1.

'The freshmen did great...they stepped up and did the little things right, throughout the game.'

> -Shawn Conschafter Junior Goalie

Responding to an early BC goal, freshman Brady Leisenring scored and tied the game for UVM halfway through the first period. Assisted by freshman teammate Tim Plant, Leisenring said of his first career goal: "It means a lot to me, I was just happy to put it away. Tim and I have been playing together since we were 8 years old." The duo, as well as other freshmen on the team, put on an impressive first play in Catamount uniform. On their performance, junior goalie Shawn Conschafter said: "The freshmen did great, I was really impressed, they stepped up and did the little things right, throughout the game."

BC scored 4 of its 5 goals on power plays. After a powerful 1st period, BC dominated the game until the end.

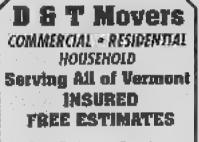
Upcoming meets include an away game at UNH on October 13th and a home one against BU on October 30th. The coaches and players are determined to improve in key areas that proved problematic against BC. Leisenring stressed the importance of the fans: "We're playing for the crowd, for the fans. For the next game we're really going to come out, we're going to work really hard this week and show the fans that we're better than that.' The Cats have a strong, energetic and resolute team, and will focus on bringing these assets together for future games.







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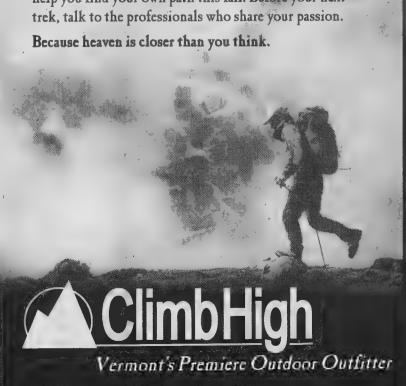
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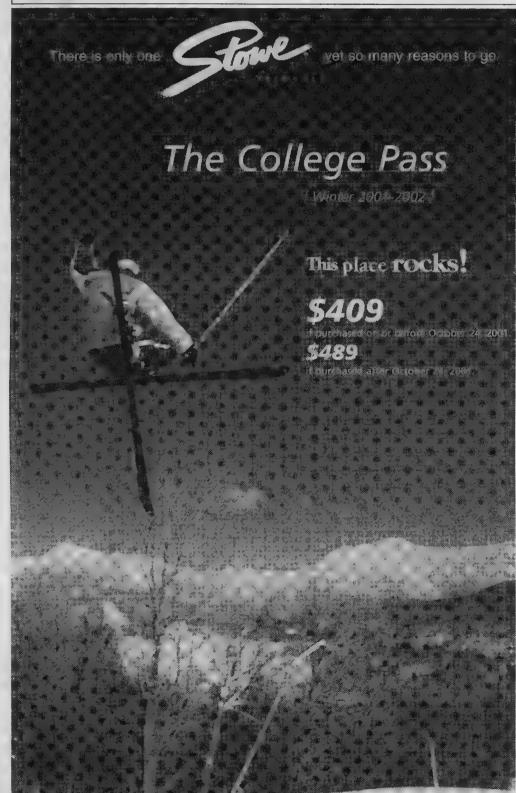
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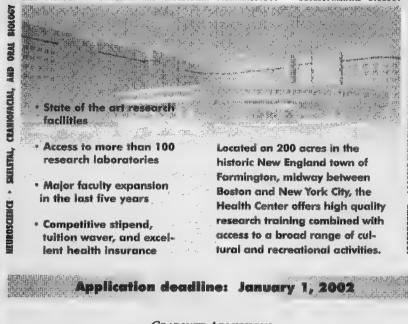
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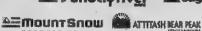
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Anthrax Scare Has Some in **UVM Community on Edge**

By JARED LEAVITT

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, several cases of potential human exposure to anthrax have been reported in Florida, New York, Nevada, and more recently in Vermont.

One of the most lethal biological

'It (Anthrax) displays the same symptoms found in the common flu.'

> -Michael Noble F.A.H.C. Spokesman

weapons along with Ebola and Marburg, anthrax is a livestock pathogen that can be found in rural farming ground in fairly large quantities.

Anthrax directly from the ground cannot harm humans because it is incapable of causing infection. However, spores may be created in a laboratory setting and then converted into powder form that can be inhaled and used in biological warfare.

As anthrax is extremely rare and displays symptoms similar to the flu, medical experts face difficulty

identifying the pathogen before blood tests are conducted.

Asked how doctors know if a person with flu-like symptoms may have contracted anthrax, Fletcher Allen Health Care spokesman Michael Noble said, "They cannot tell. It displays the same symptoms found in a common flu."

Noble said anthrax is typically treated with antibiotics, primarily penicillin. "F.A.H.C. has large stocks of antibiotics," he said.

While anthrax must be inhaled in large amounts to be fatal, some in the medical community are concerned.

"We just cannot tell sometimes," said one Fletcher Allen nurse who works in the E.R. "It's a very difficult issue and it scares me to death just to hear the word."

First-year Danielle Sokol also expressed concern. "It's scary because there are incidents all over," she said. "It's terrifying."

Noble encourages anyone who suspects they have in some way contracted anthrax to call 911.

"I think out of common sense, that's what to do, after all we've been hearing and reading."



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

UVM students run around a make shift maze as part of the Visionary Vermont

Howard Zinn To Speak at UVM

By BRANDON JOHNSON

World-renowned scholar Howard Zinn will speak at Ira Allen Chapel on Sunday, Oct. 21 at 2 pm.

Zinn has written extensively on American politics and is best known for his work, A People's History of the United States.

His speech will coincide with a celebratory event for the long-time peace activist Dave Dellinger.

Since the Sept. 11 bombing, Zinn has spoken to packed public meetings in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Consequently, Sunday's event is likely to attract people from across the state of Vermont.

"This is going to be a huge event," said junior Dan Goosen, who invited Zinn to speak. "We are confident we will fill Ira Allen, so people should get there early,"

Sophomore Emily Porter said that she didn't know what to make of the bombing. She hopes Zinn will give her a clearer picture of the events of Sept. 11.

Organizers for Zinn's speech have taken steps to ensure that the talk is geared toward a wide spectrum of people.

"We changed the poster around to make sure all people feel welcome," one activist reported. "It is free and open to the public and we want everyone there."

"I'm excited that someone as prominent as Zinn will share his ideas with the UVM and Burlington communities," Goosen, who works with SPARC (Student Political Awareness and Responsibility Coalition) and SFPGJ (Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice).

"Zinn's speech will spark a great opportunity for everyone there to further spark discussion concerning the topics surrounding Americas new war."

Post-Traumatic Stress Sets In For Students



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Burlington locals and UVM students await to enter Millenium, a bar and night club downtown.

By KRISTIN DOBBS

From bombing Afghanistan to reported anthrax cases to an increase in possible terrorist attacks, the nation's people are on a heightened sense of alert and

For many, this unwanted anxiety " adds to the already stressful col-

"I have a hard time concentrating," said first-year Amanda Carpenter. "When I'm trying to do homework, it's hard not to imagine the images I've seen on

CNN."

Kay Francis Shepp, director of the UVM Center for Health and Well-Being, said that her 25 counselors have been seeing a great number of students in the past

"Most people are not coming in for things that seem directly related," she said.

'This is not going to be serenity as usual. Students need to find their strength.'

> -Kay Francis Shepp UVM Center for Health and Well-Being

"But it has raised the intensity of eating disorders, family issues, and especially violence against women. We have also seen many cases of drinking and drug abuse."

According to the American Crisis Association, the following symptoms may be classified under Post Traumatic Stress Disorder: increased drug/alcohol use, difficulty in sleeping, feelings of guilt and isolation, extreme moodiness, irritability, anger and suspicion, and feeling overwhelmed by what would normally be considered everyday situations, along with a diminished interest in performing normal tasks or pursuing usual interests.

In addition to being stressful, America's current retaliation against Afghanistan and the present threat of subsequent attacks are unprecedented.

Shepp believes that while Americans have recently experienced terrorism, such as the Oklahoma City bombing, the Afghan situation is not the same.

"Those things [past terrorist] attacks] have gone away," she said. "The people were found and punished. This is not going to be serenity as usual. Students need to find their strength."

According to an Associated Press article, President Bush said that it might take a few years to find Osama bin Laden, the terrorist believed to be behind the Sept 11. attacks, and dismantle terrorist networks.

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New Porn Shop Met With Mixed Reactions

By DAN McCLUSKEY

The heart of Burlington is Church Street. It is home to everything from eateries to schools to an entire store devoted to socks. What has eyebrows lifting around the community, however, is the addition of an adult novelty shop.

Good Stuff Variety is located on lower Church Street, and offers an array of mature films, toys and assorted novelties, as well as smoking paraphernalia.

The controversy lies not so much in the content of the store, but rather in its location.

"Its placement on Church Street reflects poorly on the community's most traveled strip," said UVM senior Michael Plante. "The store also gives local children the opportunity for early exposure to things they can't possibly understand, and even puts those things right at their fingertips."

A major concern, while minors will be unable to get in themselves, is that they may be able to find someone to make purchases for them, similar to what happens in front of liquor stores.

Frank Cluba, proprietor of Good Stuff Variety, feels the store offers a much needed service to the community.

"Most people say it's about time," said Cluba. "They are pleased to no longer have to travel to find non-violent adult entertainment."

"Though it may soil the reputation of the city center, it does offer access to a wider variety of things like condoms," said senior Luke Bovill. "It's not like the only people who have sex are deviants.'

The first Good Stuff Variety opened a little over a year ago in St. Albans, and is still running.

While the Church Street location has spawned much debate, Cluba says that the store has seen considerable traffic.

"Many people treat the store as a novelty in itself," he said. "Some folks come for a laugh, others come with a very clear shopping agenda."

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Five weeks ago, companies couldn't produce flags fast enough. Flag stickers, pins, ribbons, shirts, etc. couldn't stay on the shelves.

Now those items are cluttering up stores. Sales have dwindled.

Have Americans lost their sense of national pride?

Let's hope not. But some believe the flag is a symbol of war. Others believe is it being overzealous to have a flag on your car or to wear a flag t-shirt.

If it is not overdone to do so on July 4, why should it be now? It is the easiest way for millions to show their support for their country. How is showing support for our great nation a sign of war? Why do you protest the flag now? Because it is convenient?

Soldiers are fighting and will continue to fight the war against terrorism for awhile. They are fighting for the safety and freedom of Americans and all people of the world. The freedom to know that we can be safe, wherever we are.

Raise your flags for those who work to protect the ideas that the symbol truly represents.

Have A Little Respect

It's time for us to grow up. It's that simple. We are all supposed to be adults here at UVM, but we all don't always act like them.

From littering to property destruction to general disturbances, we all need to take a moment to step back and analyze how we are

For a majority of the students, you don't need to be told to act like adults because you already do. So you can stop reading.

Wait a second, don't, because, hopefully, the more people able to tell these kids to grow up, the faster they actually will.

It's easy when you're hundreds of miles away from Mom and Dad to act however you want. But you're not the only ones on campus, and there needs to be general respect for

Think it's funny to pull the fire alarm at 3

It's not so funny when all of your hallmates are pissed because they have to pay the fine for your childish action.

That goes the same for all types of damage to the dorms; it's unnecessary, and it won't be funny when you're paying for it.

Noise is also an issue. Some students don't stay up until 4 am on weeknights, so respect other people's right to peace and quiet when they sleep. There is no need to go running around screaming like an idiot.

Don't throw your beer bottles on the ground, or anywhere else. The place they belong is in those green bins with Charlie Catamount on

Have respect for the environment and the campus. Most importantly, act like an adult and have respect for yourself.

Give Us A Break

War, bioterrorism, and economic downfall. Lack of sleep, lack of concentration, and lack the same. With all of the international turmoil, midterm exams are thrown in. Life is stressful.

Now is not the time to burn out. Seven weeks into school and people are selfdestructing. Some turn to alcohol or drugs to distance themselves from their problems. Others work themselves until they hit a breaking point, until most become sick. And those students work right through illness.

As we attempt to deal with this stress, the of time. Our college experience will never be last thing we need is added unnecessary pressure from professors. It's time to cut us some slack. It's difficult to concentrate on an English novel when CNN is showing constant images of death and destruction.

> Biology doesn't seem as important when our brothers are being flown to Afghanistan.

> We know it is important to receive an education, or else we wouldn't be at the university. But lighten the load for awhile.

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Support Our Country or Get Out



Jon G. Kantor Cynic Columnist

International Socialist Organization is inherently subversive organization nat seeks to undermine what our government does at every turn. They are

saying now that their aim is peace, but when they look in the mirror they see the brown-shirted hoodlums, Bolsheviks of the Soviet Revolution.

That is the pattern they seek for the USA. In their own manifesto they say that they don't want reforms. They want revolution. They want our entire system of government overthrown. They want our elected Congress, our soldiers, our police, and our judiciary to be destroyed because "they cannot be taken over and used by the working class."

Moreover, they want "a workers' state based on councils of workers' delegates and a workers' militia." (www.internationalsocialist.org)

Facts are inconvenient for these people. History has proven nothing to these people. They worship Karl Marx, V.I. Lenin, and Leon Trotsky.

I find it hard to believe that UVM has in its professorial ranks a foreign national who subscribes to the ISO's beliefs! However, I need only pick up last month's edition of the Cynic to see that its true.

Let's look at some of the things these apparatchiks are saying. We are one week into our counterattack on terrorism. So far, the Taliban says that about 80 people have been killed. Where are the thousands that the military was poised to kill?

You want to criticize how many Iraqi soldiers were killed in the Gulf War? I wonder if you would have asked them nicely to get out of their tanks, leave their planes on the ground and take a bus back to Iraq what they would have

Please don't base your rhetoric on two ISO meetings, the "facts" espoused by Mr. Ashley Smith and the rag "Socialist Worker." I think the National Enquirer is more objective than the "Worker." I also wonder where all these Socialists get all of this time.

I'm writing this between studying for

two exams and writing three papers. My extra time goes to the Reserves. Why don't you use your extra time constructively and volunteer for the Burlington Food Shelf or the American Red Cross? But if beating on a bongo down on Church Street makes you happy, by all means.,.

If you're going to criticize Tom Ridge, USMC, get your facts straight. The socialists hold him responsible for "racist killings." They hold him responsible for Mumia "Cop-killer" Jamal's continued incarceration.

Tom Ridge is a moderate Republican who believes in a woman's right to choose. Socialist propagandists would try to inflame us with meaningless statistics like two thirds of the people executed in PA are people of color.

Only juries can award the death penalty in PA. Cabbie Wes Cook (Mumia's name before trial) killed Officer Danny Faulkner. That case has been reviewed for the past 20 years.

The PA Supreme Court was UNANI-MOUS in ruling that Mumia received a fair trial. Mumia CHOSE to represent himself at trial. He CHOSE to make

The time for emotional indulgencies is past. We all have a duty to support our country. Get on board now, or get the hell out.

political statements at trial and CHOSE to ignore the trial lawyer the judge appointed to assist him.

We are at war right now. Over 5,000 people are dead in NYC. There have already been five reported cases of Anthrax so far. The UN workers in Afghanistan are getting beaten by the American airmen, marines, soldiers and sailors are putting it on the line for all of us right now.

This is reality. They want and deserve ALL of our support. The ISO needs to stop advertising themselves as something they're not and their middle-aged apparatchik organizers need to go back to their holes and let the students think for themselves.

The time for emotional indulgencies is past. The time for being "above it all"

We are all Americans, and we all have a duty to support our country in its time

Get on board now, or get the hell out. I'm Proud to be an American, why aren't you?

Many Thanks to All

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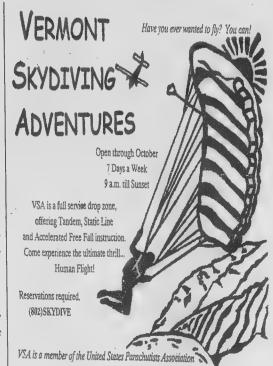
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Thank you. Thank you. Thank

Please continue to donate your precious blood in the near

Thanks again.

Chris Frenette American Red Cross



War on Terrorism is a Crock

To the Editor:

This 'War on Terrorism' is a crock. Are the civilians we are bombing in the four major cities of Afghanistan terrorists? How about the refugees fleeing to the countryside whom we are carpet-bombing?

Basically, violence is okay, as long as it's state sanctioned by the US government (and as long as the people we are killing are nonwhite).....God bless us?

God bless America? Who's god? Not mine... I don't want to be associated with this...I'm ashamed of our government and of this neonationalism, which is nostalgic of the propaganda Hitler was famous for... After all, it's us and them,

We are civilized and these 'savages' don't respect our authority and dominance! How dare these people disagree with the fact that we weasel our way into their countries to exploit and oppress their people.

If you're not with us, you're against us, and if you're against us, you can just get the hell out of OUR country (which white folks parasitically took over in the first place)...sounds to me like we are regressing into another form of McCarthyism.

As we can see, our country is turning into a nice police state as well, with the Bush-instituted Gestapo, or Office of Homeland Security. Maybe if our government wasn't so tyrannical, with regards to nonwhite cultures/countries, people wouldn't hate us so much.

I am dreading this, but I have a feeling this war is going to be a larger-scale version of Vietnam... Now our government is looking at Iraq, and with our media playing up the anti-Palestine sentiment. I'm sure we'll take it upon ourselves to screw that country up as well (if it's possible to screw it up any further. than we already have...).

The US government is playing on people's emotions and sympathies to push forward the agenda of the Bush administration...our .corporate-tainted media is spewing anti-Muslim, anti-Palestine, anti-Arab propaganda and unfortunately, the American people seem to be buying their garbage without any sort of a

second thought.

The American public isn't feeble minded (at least some of it)--they are simply absorbing what should be unbiased news reporting, and yet the American networks and newspapers selectively report what will further the war-machine's cause, while leaving out critical information about the US military and government (which would be considered un-American, as it is the truth about screwed up, governmentapproved operations.)

Why couldn't our government find another way to deal with terrorism... Why did the generic test-book loving professors, like Prof. Kaufman and the other right-wing male professors, feel it was appropriate to talk over the others on the 'Pseudo-discussion Panel' on the Friday after the bombings... Why are the folks in Congress so trigger-

Maybe its because "violence is as American as apple pie," and that even supposedly intelligent scholars spew the same old, nationalist rhetoric, but I'll take a gander and say this has everything to do with racism, and Americancentrism.

Oh and by the way, Prof. Kaufman, maybe the reason that "this (being war) is the only way it's worked in the past," is because this is the only route our patriarchal governments have ever tried to quell the terrorist threat...we haven't even attempted to follow other avenues to the desired goal.

Instead, we've simply bullied, threatened, and stong-armed people to get this far, and with all due respect (not much), Prof. Kaufman, you are insulting our intelligence by maintaining that this specific situation is the same as those which in the past could be considered simi-

Why don't we LEARN from the past instead of emulating it... did Vietnam work? What about the Gulf War? Did we really need to drop the atomic bomb on Japan? Why are none of these countries full of white

I hope my tuition dollars aren't paying Kaufman's salary...

Kate Stattel

After the Bombing, What Next?

We Must Not Resort to Colonialism



Brandon Johnson Political Columnist

have started with a Wall Street Journal article but now it seems to be everywhere: nation building-

what is America going to do when Afghanistan stops ringing from the tons and tons of bombs now being dropped?

Bush has spoken of a possible United Nations-I'd use the word-colony: that idea must be fought. Take two quick examples: women's rights and

Professors at Colombia are suggesting that the control Islamic fundamentalists exercise over their women is directly related to the control they feel they have lost over their own lives, their religion, their land. This is to in no way justify the gross oppression of Afghan women, but it is necessary to understand that the presence of more western imperialists will do nothing but worsen the situation.

Take food. Seven million, a holocaust's worth, are in danger of starvation in the coming winter. For PR purposes the American government has dropped 7,000 pills into desert minefields. Then we force desperately needed UN aid workers out of the country and kill those who can't leave with our "precision" bombing.

Of course America has the capability to help Afghanistan; we have the power and the wealth to do anything we want to the world. The six million who starve every year don't have to; those who starve to death inside our borders don't have to either.

But if America gave one damn about helping these people, it would cease to be an America anyone would recognize. Our foreign policy is trying to make it illegal for South Africa to get at-cost AIDS medicine and ensuring Third World countries are strangulated by illegitimate debt cycles.

This is how America runs the world. We wanted to give the USSR a Vietnam so we backed fundamentalists-gave them guns and the idea of calling it a jihad. Next we wanted more oil so we tried to get an oppressive regime to "stabilize" the country. Now we're bombing the Afghans. We've done enough to these people, stop the bombs now!

CNN is on behind me, Bill Tucker is in Pakistan saying that everyone there thinks America should wake up and change its Middle East foreign policy: specifically the 40 billion dollar annual payoff to Israel.

A Saudi prince gave New York 10 million dollars then said the same thing; Guiliani gave the check back.

Afghanistan is not the heavily industrialized Germany or Japan after WWII; giving the Middle East another Israel with a "colonized" Afghanistan is the surest way to get to a WWIII

We Must Help Create Democratic Nations



Peter Morrison Political Columnist

There is one simple truth that has existed modern world affairs-that that democracies do not go to

war against other democracies. Granted, this truth may not hold true in the future; currently, however, we must embrace this truth with open arms. Democracy is not only best for those who are governed but for the maintenance of peace among nations is democracy.

To this end, we must learn from our past mistakes and successes, and follow the path that we took in the wake of the Second World War. This means following a policy of "nation

building." We should start with the country of Afghanistan; we must go to the Afghani people not as an invader as the Soviets attempted, but as friends. After assist the Northern Alliance, and after other forces inside t¹ anation eliminate the Taliba, we should present the Afghan's with an opportunity: if they are willing to establish a constitutional democracy with our assistance, then we will provide them with assistance in building and modernizing their country in what would be a Marshall Plan for Afghanistan.

The option which we present to the Afghani people is one that, though it might meet with opposition, can be one, I think, that would be accepted because of what it would mean. Afghanistan is a country that has seen decades and decades of continuous warfare. We offer them peace and an alliance with the United States if they need help.

The religion of Islam must be reconciled with the philosophy of democracy if there is going to be peace in the world and the region. We should not limit this policy to Afghanistan.

However, we should, with the other democratic nations of the world, present the option of a Marshall Plan for new democracies to any nation which is willing to participate in good

Maybe this would mean that Israel would not be the only democracy in the Middle East, that Palestine could become a democratic state. Hopefully, as the President said in his press conference last Thursday night, the governments that are set up will be broad-based and stable.

Don't Dismiss Valid Anti-War Arguments: Our Lives Depend On It

injustice to its own namesake. To begin, it is more than dishonorable, but blatantly wrong to counter a valid antiwar argument by lashing out with the age-old McCarthyist trump card—"whoever wrote that is brainwashed by sibility by claiming that Pakistan gave "money that it stole Communists!"

Give me a break! The author insults his own intelligence as well as the intelligence of dedicated members of the Internationalist Socialist Organization and Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice with such blather. Also, the fact that that he spent two whole paragraphs caricaturing 'a certain middle-aged man' to prove his point, instead of concentrating on the 'facts' that he appears to hold in such high regard, does dishonor to the very idea of argumentative discourse.

As to the quotation he cited that Congressman Rohrabacher said a month ago: 'a pipeline will never be built through Afghanistan while the taliban is in power" DUH! That's self-evident. However, my point in quoting his testimony from two years ago was to point out the U.S.'s support of the Taliban and of bin Laden.

If the people of Afghanistan had followed Bush's logic, they could have declared America the enemy long

ago, because we supported a state that practiced terrorism industrialized colonial power butting heads with other In the last issue of the Cynic, there appeared a rather against them. This is also why we have to reject Bush's colonial powers. Afghanistan, on the other hand, is one of dious letter, "Look at Facts, Resist Dishonor," that did mentality of 'you're either with us or against us. This will the world's most impoverished countries. Clearly, the only further the death count and spiral into a world warone in which nuclear bombs would most likely be used.

The author further tries to wiggle out of U.S. responfrom the U.S.(?!) to the Taliban; the CIA had designated that money strictly for the Mujahedeen (ie, holy warriors).

First, the Taliban was crated out of the Mujahedeen, so money destined for the Mujahedeen was in effect going to the future members of the Taliban. Secondly, it is ridiculous to lay the blame on Pakistan in order to proffer U.S. innocence. Until recently, the only middle-eastern countries that recognized the Taliban as the legitimate government of Afghanistan were Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates—all of which are obedient U.S. servants and Western clients. Coincidence? I think not.

Finally, the author sets his own trap. He briskly admits that U.S. foreign policy is flawed, but then declares it would be a mistake to change it. This would lead, he argues to the same appeasement that lead to German aggression and WWII. Yet one would have to simply ignore the glaring differences between Germany and Afghanistan to buy this argument. Germany was a highly

Taliban is in no position to lead a world war.

Yet, this is not to downplay the seriousness of the situation. Many American as well as Afghan lives are at stake unless something is done. Better than a miliary solution, it would be more effective to pull the rug out from under the terrorists by heeding the author's admission: change flawed U.S. policy.

A long military war on terrorism will only further enrage the Arab world. Why not drop the sanctions on Iraq? Why not give Palestinian refugees the right of return? Why not deluge the Afghan people with food, healthcare, and educational aid? Why not force the CIA to stop training terrorists?

Surely these changes would not cause more terrorism. In fact, I believe they would go a long way toward stopping it. We need a mass movement to achieve these things. We need to build for peace as if our lives depended on it because, in reality, they do. If you would like info on how to join an activist group on campus, contact me at Keith.Rosenthal@uvm.edu.

> Keith Rosenthal Class o f 2003

Save Over Two Million Dollars With Almost No Effort at All

By BILL WOODEN

I'm 19, and tomorrow, I'll still be 19. But after enough tomorrows I'll be 65, ready to retire. That seems like a long time away, but when I think about the 19 years that I have been around so far, they seem like a blink of an eye.

I can't possibly be thinking about preparing for the then now, but really I should. The sooner you prepare for retirement, the better and more enjoyable it will be. We all want to live comfortably and happily, and in this day and age you really can't do that without money.

Ideally, we would all like to save money while buying everything we could possibly want. Basically, preparing for the future without making our lives now completely boring. A dollar a day seems pretty reasonable to handle.

That's one less coffee or one less candybar. If you could save a dollar a day from the time you were 18 until you were 65, putting it into an Independent Retirement Account (IRA), do you now how much money you would have? OVER 2 MILLION DOLLARS!! That's the beauty of compound interest.

It's so simple, yet so many people retire with hardly any money, most often having to continue to work just to live. There is a very good chance that by the time we retire, with the way things are going, we may not have any Social Security to help us.

So do you know who is going to help you? That's right, YOU.

I recently started an IRA with my own money, knowing that the future me will be thanking....me. When I asked

several people on my floor, only a few actually said they had done anything at all. Most just thought about it, figuring eventually they will do something.

But the sooner you start, the more time you give that money to grow and multiply.

There are other ways of saving for the future, such as mutual funds and my favorite, the 10 percent rule. Mutual funds are like stocks, but take a much longer time to show any profits.

They may take 10 to 15 years to have a significant change, but almost always they show a profit. The 10% rule is probably the toughest, but most beneficial way of making a lot of money.

It simply means, take 10 percent out of every pay check and put it directly into some long-term savings plan. This may seem tough, since many people are down to the dollar when it comes to the bills as it is.

The sooner you start saving, the more time you have for that money to grow and multiply.

But say you were to double the amount of money you were making right now, you would think you would have that much more to be able to save, but most people don't because they spend that much more.

So reverse that, take away some of the money you are making, say...10 percent, you will adjust.

After a couple of months most people don't even realize the 10 percent is gone.

Now the secret to this is to have the 10 percent taken

directly out of the paycheck before you even see the paycheck.

That way you won't even know its gone. As you start to make more money, continue to take 10 percent and put is somewhere and forget about it. Most businesses and companies don't have a problem doing this.

It's so simple, yet so many people retire with hardly any money, most often having to continue to work just to live.

My goal with this article was to show that its never too soon to prepare for the future, and its really not that hard. Anyone can do it, even if its just 10 bucks a month. At least it's something, and something.... is better then nothing.

Think about all the things that you can look back on and say "I wish I had done that, or if I had only known then what I know now."

This is your chance to do that very thing. I would love for us to start a new generation of people that know the value of living and what good living is. It's not even money, but mainly the feeling that you are in control of your life and were it is going.

If you want to learn more, or just know as much as I do about this stuff, read the book "The Wealthy Barber" by David Chilton.

· He goes into much finer detail about this topic and more which will change your life, that is, if you are willing to change.

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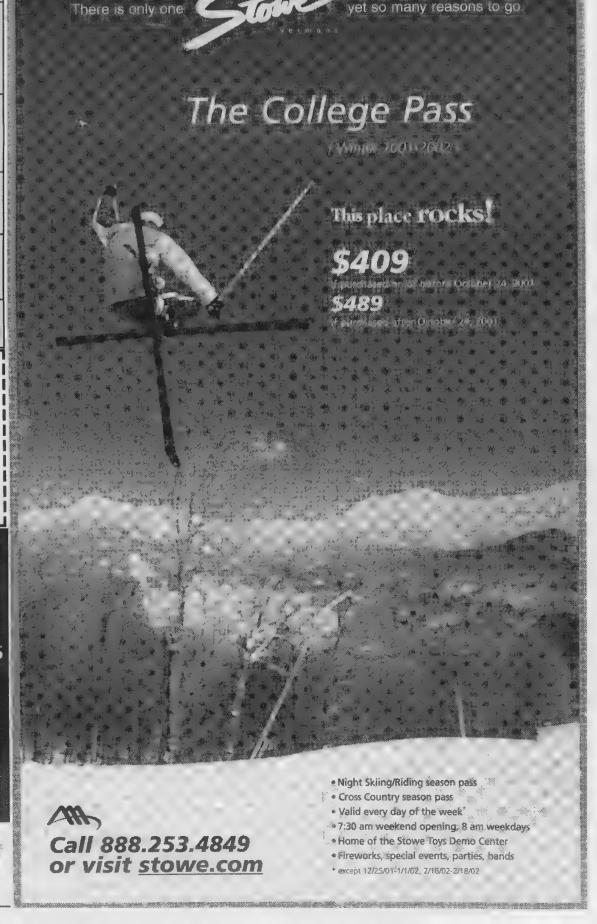


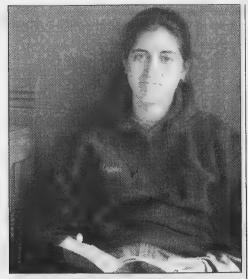
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Andy Duback/VC Staff
A UVM student studies while in Billings
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IES Scholarship Awarded to UVM Student

UVM student Ernesto Hernandez, was awarded one of 33 IES Achievement Scholarships (formerly IES Merit Scholarships) for study abroad this fall.

The Institute for the International Education of Students (IES) awarded 33 IES Achievement Scholarships this fall totaling more than 58,000 dollars from their financial aid program that commits more than 1 million dollars for study abroad each year. The scholarship amounts range from 1,200-3,000 dollars, and allow qualified students to study abroad on IES programs in Asia, Australia, Europe, and South America during the 2001-2002 school year.

Ernesto, who is from Waitsfield, VT, and is majoring in French and German with a minor in Spanish, won the Excellence in Foreign Language Scholarship.

He is currently participating in the IES Berlin Program. This semester, IES received 226 IES Achievement Scholarship applications

The required GPA to apply is 3.3; the average GPA of this round of IES Achievement Scholarship winners was 3.71 (out of 4.0).

-Staff Report

UVM Professor Contributes to Book on Sept. 11 Attacks

Gregory Gause, an expert on international politics and the Middle East and associate professor of political science at the University of Vermont, has contributed a chapter to a new book concerning the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"How Did This Happen?" - to be published in November by Public Affairs Books - provides analyses on terrorism, international security and global economics from some of the world's leading experts.

Gause contributed a chapter on Saudi Arabia, where he was scheduled to travel next week until his trip was cancelled "for obvious reasons," he said.

However, Gause visited Amman, Jordan, Sept. 24 -26 to speak at the U.S. Embassy.

"The mood is sour in the Arab world right now," he reported, noting that recent events will have repercussions in our future relationships with the Middle East.

"If the U.S. military achieves its apparent aim of paving the way for a summit to establish an interim government in Afghanistan, I think we'll see a full court press to undermine the bin Laden infrastructure and, ultimately, the capture of the terrorist," said Gause.

Freshmen Anxious About Choosing Majors

By SETON MANGINE

What should I major in? Do I have the right major? What am I going to do with my major?

Most students have asked themselves at least one of these questions since becoming an undergraduate. Many people begin their careers at UVM

'Not knowing what your major is going to be is very hard and also confusing.'

> -Elizabeth Godfrey Class of 2004

undeclared and are faced with the difficult decision of choosing a major by the end of their sophomore year.

According to the university's Institutional Studies, students change their major an average of over two times.

Parents opinions, self-expectations, and general indecisiveness may lead to anxiety.

"Not knowing what your major

is going to be is very hard and also confusing," said sophomore Elizabeth Godfrey. "At some points you are frustrated because at such a young age you really have no way in knowing what you want to do for the rest ofyour life."

Fortunately, UVM has many resources to help students faced with the decision of choosing a major.

Career counselor Mary Beth Barritt said that students should not feel so much stress about choosing a major.

"They don't need to make that whole decision all at once...take what you're going to be passionate about learning...then think about how to apply those transferable skills."

In spring semester 2001, Career Services conducted a survey of first and second year students and found out something that bothered them.

The majority of undecided majors thought that Career Services couldn't help them. While Career Services does

help with resumes, internships, and jobs, they also help first and second-year students through counseling, workshops, and tools such as skills assessment.

Students may also do a variety of things to help themselves in making this decision.

Getting internships, or just shadowing a job for a day can

They don't need to make the decision all at once.'

-Mary Beth Barritt Career Counselor

help understand certain careers and skills, and how that might apply to class choices.

Make a list of classes or activities that you have done and then list the things that you liked or didn't like about each.

Go through the course catalog and highlight classes that interest you and then look at patterns in your choices.

These are places to start as second semester approaches and more students are thinking about declaring a major.



Stress Has Serious Effects

Continued from front

The war on terrorism doesn't appear to be ending soon. "It has definitely given me a different outlook on life," said Carpenter. "If the world stops because of this, it is like they won."

From 24-hour coverage on CNN to the New York Times, the media has been upfront and graphic about the attacks on the US and Afghanistan.

"Students tend to get that information in the place where they sleep and work," said Shepp.

"They might need to take a shower, take a break... to change their state of mind."

The key for many is recognizing the effects and not pretending they are not present

In an article for the A.C.A., Anne M. Brainerd, M.S.,

N.C.C., trained in crisis response from the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, said that we have to remember that being affected isn't abnormal.

"It is imperative that you

'It has definitely given me a different outlook on life.'

Amanda Carpenter Class of 2005

accept these symptoms as normal. You are not suffering a breakdown or going crazy. You are responding in the way that we as feeling, thinking human beings are supposed to respond in the face of events too large and horrific for normal comprehension."

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Spookie Daly Pride Come to Red Square



Courtesy Photo

Spookie Daly Pride is scheduled to come to Red Square to promoe their new CD, Marshmallow Pride.

Boston's Spookie Daly Pride, with a sound that combines roots, hiphop, pop, Dixieland and other diverse contemporary pop music styles, brings it's unique style to The Red Square, Burlington, Friday, October 19.

Spookie Daly Pride's style reminds listeners of Van Morrison, Tom Waits, the Beastie Boys, and Louie Prima. The band is on tour to promote its debut CD, Marshmallow Pride.

spirited live sets that inspire even the most dedicated wallflower to

get down with the sound.

The band has opened for the Foo Fighters, Kid Rock, Primus, Busta Rhymes, Soul Coughing, and the Cherry Poppin' Daddies, among others. TV viewers may know the band's tune "Big Car" that was included in the MTV. Sports and Music Festival special, or "Birthday Song" and "Pleasure Appointment," both featured on the ESPN-2 series X-Games Today.

The band will tour the Northeast Spookie Daly Pride is known for and Midwest for the rest of the

Starbucks: Just Another Cup of Coffee?

By RACHEL SKELLEY

As Starbucks enters the Church St. stage along side Borders and Old Navy, I begin to wonder where this town is going.

I have to question when Starbucks, not the most wallet friendly of places, went in right next-door (and across from Uncommon Ground).

Has Burlington started to turn into just another "corporate strip

Opinion

mall", as one UVM graduate had described it?

Church St. was one of the factors that made me want to go to UVM.

This quaint strip is a huge source of revenue for Burlington and its residents.

If Church St. continues adding national chains, putting more local shops like Muddy Waters, Radio Bean, and Uncommon Grounds in jeopardy.

"But I like their coffee" is the plaintive reply of so many people that I talked to.

Why, I wondered, should people have to suppress their desire for the coffee that they love just because the origin of the establishment is not Burlington, Has Burlington started to turn into just another corporate strip mall?

Vermont?

Even a person who likes a little adventure in her life may be tempted to go with the safe option; the coffee she knows.

When you are a college student \$2.50 can seem like quite an investment.

We don't want to be disappointed. The tourists here will be even more likely to go for what they have had and liked in the

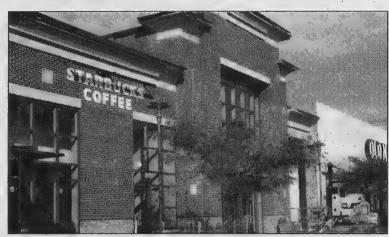
The latte in Burlington will be the same as the time you ordered it in Starbucks on Cape Cod.

The coffee at Starbucks may be good but I worry that people will choose it not because it is better but because it is easier.

When we do choose the scone at the Radio Bean over that of Starbucks what do we as a community gain?

The coffee at Starbucks may be good but I worry that people will choose it not because it is better than what is offered across the road but because it is easier.

People should buy what they like, but I hope that the students of the university will choose these things based on quality rather than caution.



Sorrel Namaste/VC Staff

Starbucks, situated next to Old Navy, is the latest corporate addition to Church Street.

Four Nations Ensemble to Perform at Flynn

On Friday, Oct. 19 the UVM Lane Series will present a concert by the Four Nations Ensemble.

The concert will take place at the UVM Recital Hall on Redstone Campus and will begin at 7:30 p.m.

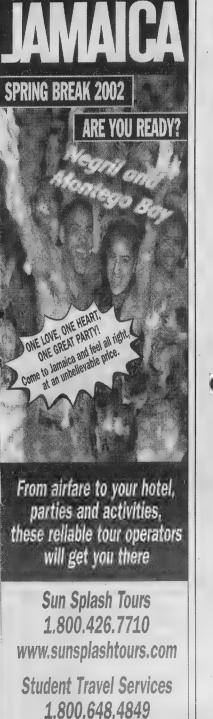
The members of the ensemble are Charles Brink, flute; Ryan Brown and Claire Jolivet, violin, Peter Bucknell, viola, Loretta O'Sullivan, Cello; and Andrew Appel, fortepiano.

They will perform an early classical concert on period instruments.

For tickets to hear the Four Nations Ensemble, call the Campus Ticket Store at 802-656-3085; the Flynn Box Office- 86- FLYNN; or the Lane Series business office -802-656-4455.

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Fantasy on the Field

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Do you know who MarTay **Jenkins** Come on, he's a wide receiver for the Arizona Cardinals who had 119 yards receiving and a touchdown

Ben Dickie Sports Columnist

two weeks ago against the Eagles. Ok fine, don't feel so bad. I didn't know who he was before then either, but after last Sunday he was a hot topic on fantasy sites across the county.

Yes, I am talking about Fantasy Football, one of the greatest inventions since the recliner. Fantasy sports take the average Joe and make him feel like he is Bill Walsh, minus all the hard work. Not only do you take on the responsibility of a coach, but also a draft guru and analyst all in one. Trust me, this is something that can consume you, it is almost like a drug because it can be so addictive. Currently I am in four different leagues with many of my friends, with one of the leagues costing 80 dollars to join (the other three are free luckily, or else I wouldn't be doing my laundry till I went home for Christmas).

The level of intensity often rises depending on how many players you keep in your league. I have become so addicted that in one of my leagues, I know the scum of the league; I know just about every third string running back like they

are my best friends.

Sometimes I find myself yelling at the screen swearing up and down at Mike Martz for taking Kurt Warner out with three minutes to go in a route, "What the hell are you doing, I need 41 more passing yards to beat the Troy Dragons!"

Think I'm crazy? Yeah, maybe a little, but it's all in good fun. Most of the time the only thing on the line is pride between you and some

That pride is always quickly criticized though, as each site that I play from has their own little chat room that is only open to the people in the league, which often just turns into a sound off board to slam each other.

There are usually two types of people that play fantasy football. There are the football junkies who get daily e-mail updates about the players on their team, and then there are those that just pick up the paper the next day and realize that Peyton Manning threw four touchdowns yesterday and want to know if you will take Billy Joe Toliver for him.

Hopefully my teachers will be sympathetic when I tell them that I couldn't finish my 10 page paper this weekend because the Colts and the Raiders were the Sunday night game this week and I had to watch it because I had three guys playing in that game.

That should be a good enough excuse for an extension if I have ever heard one.

Hayes Leads Cats Into Division One

By LISA OBRENTZ

It will be an exciting new adventure for the UVM women's hockey team this year, as they play

A vital asset to the team is All-American goaltender Tiffany Hayes.

their first season in Division One. ECAC Women's League-North. Moving up from Division III, the Cats will seek to improve upon their impressive conference record of 14-2-2 from 2000-2001.

A vital asset to the team is All-American goaltender Tiffany Hayes.

The junior stopped 38 shots in the season-opener against the College of Limoilou. Although the Cats lost the exhibition game, Hayes is confident that they will perform well this year.

"There is a lot of pressure on us as a team," she said, although she

'There is a lot of pressure on us as a team.'

> Tiffany Hayes Vermont goaltender

quickly added that one of their main goals is to "have fun." Despite the loss of 10 graduating seniors and the move to Division One, the youthful team will have to "stay focused and stick together," said Hayes.

This is the fourth season for the Women's hockey program

"We'll have time to grow. I think



All-American goalie Tiffany Hayes knocks away the puck in a game last year.

it will be a very good year," she

Hayes has a lot of hockey experience, starting out at the tender age of four, following in the footsteps of her brother.

Since beginning her career as a goalie for the Cats, she owns nearly every goaltending record at UVM, in addition to being named 2001 ECAC Division III goaltender of the year.

In two games played for UVM, Hayes made a school-record 60 saves. In last year's quarterfinal of the ECAC Division III Playoffs, she made 56 saves in the longest game in UVM hockey history, men or women.

On her future as a goalie after UVM, Hayes affirms that she "would love to play if the opportunity comes around."

The Cats will play their home opener against #1 pre-season coaches' poll pick Dartmouth, on Nov. 2, at 7 p.m. at Gutterson Fieldhouse.

Upcoming Athletic Events

Tue., Oct. 16 Golf vs. BU (Ouechee, VT) Fri., Oct. 19

Women's Soccer vs. New Hampshire, 3:00pm Women's Tennis - New England Championships (Host: Vermont) Women's Tennis - New England

Championships (Host: Vermont)

Men's Hockey vs.Boston Univ., 7:00pm Sun., Oct. 21

Women's Soccer vs. Maine, 12:00pm Women's Tennis - New **England Championships** (Host: Vermont)

Hofstra Blanks UVM, Cats 1-4 in Conference

Luckisee Williams tallied the game's only goal as Hofstra® held on to top Vermont, 1-0, in America East men's soccer on Sunday afternoon at Centennial Field.

With the win, the Pride (6-5-1; 3-2-0 conference) avenged a defeat to the Catamounts in last season's America East title game held last November on the same

In the 33rd minute,

Williams, a defender, caught the bar. "We carried stepped up to head in a nice two-way passing play off a corner kick by Patrick Geraghty.

In traffic, Arni Gunnarsson nodded the ball across the box and Williams knocked it past Vermont keeper David Sullivan.

In the second half, Jamie Farrell's point blank blast clanged off the right post and then Keli Helgason's low liner from 25 yards also

the play and had some great chances today," commented Vermont coach Roy Patton, "but we had nothing to show for it. The effort was there this weekend and I still think we have a good team. We now need to find a way to change our luck."

Vermont, now 2-6-1 and 1-4-0 in the America East, plays New Hampshire next on Friday at 3 pm.

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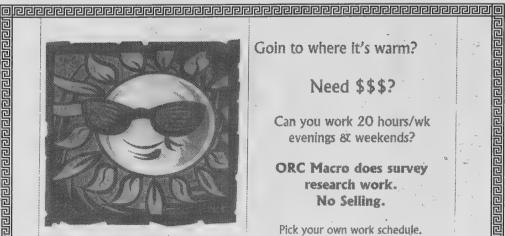
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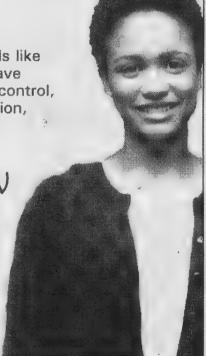
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Out of Luck

Sorrel Namaste/VC Staff

Junior Brian Turner deposits change in a 30-minute meter outside the University Bookstore. No combination of coins will give Turner the 30-minute maximum on the meter. If he wants 30 minutes, he will have to pay for 32.

Billings North Lounge Home to Student Activist Conference on Saturday

By LAURA MATTISON

On Saturday, Nov. 3, from 8:30 to 5 pm, North Lounge in Billings Student Center is scheduled to the Student Activist Conference; giving students an opportunity to expand their horizons about grassroots organization on campus and offering an egalitarian forum for related issues.

"What I was hearing from students," said Stephanie Morgan of the UVM Women's Center and co-organizer of the conference, "was that they wanted to meet other students that were organizing and expressed an interest in becoming familiar with other stu'The goal is to have students hear people who are activists in their daily lives.'

> -Tim Shiner Conference Organizer

dent leaders on campus.

They wanted to learn about grassroots organizing and how you could organize in your own community."

Morgan, Tim Shiner of the ALANA Student Center, and a group of UVM students are expected to unite panelists from all over the world.

Keynote speaker Waneek Horn-Miller, a Canadian Olympian and Mohawk activist with a degree in Political Science, is set to kick off the conference.

Other panelists for the conference include members of the League of Indigenous Sovereign Nations, Native Youth Movement, International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal, and a UVM student from the Social Justice Floor.

"The goal of the keynote speaker and the panelists is to have students hear people who are activists in their daily lives," said

After the panelists, the conference is scheduled to conduct various workshops and round table discussions.

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Federal Agents Granted More Access to Student Records

By KATHERINE GILLEN

On Friday, Oct. 26, President George Bush signed the anti-terrorism bill into law.

The bill which significantly increases the authority of federal law enforcement agencies in their fight against terrorism, also contains clauses concerning the release of student records.

Section 508 states that federal officials may submit an application to a court for orders requiring educational institutions to present student records if they are relevant to authorized terrorism-related investigations.

The criteria for these applications are more lenient than they under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy

While Bush said that these measures will "take suspected terrorists off the street," and UVM Registrar Keith Williams reports

"no expected increase in federal requests," many students still voiced concern that these privileges may be abused.

'I don't see any reason for the government to need further access to student records.'

> - Jeff Wagner Class of 2002

"I don't see any reason for the government to need further access to student records," said senior Jeff Wagner.

"Right now, students don't seem to be the ones causing the problems."

Freshman Nicole Underwood said, "I think it's a complete violation of privacy and I think Islamic students and peace activists will probably be targeted."

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Too Much Construction

Sorrel Namaste/VC Staff

Students take a detour around a construction site outside the Underground.

Drugs Don't Help to Reduce College Stress

Stress in college can be tremen-

Social, academic, and financial pressures all take their toll on college students from the day they arrive until graduation.

For freshmen, there are problems adjusting to separation from home and family, as well as leaving the comfort of high school for the overwhelming demands of higher education. For seniors, there are concerns about jobs and the future.

Every student copes with myriad problems, including peer pressure and social acceptance, dating and relationships, finances, and the stress of the academic program itself-workload, papers, and exams.

For many students, the stress builds, often producing physical, emotional, and social disruptions

'Too often, students under stress turn to drugs of abuse to relieve the pres-

-Alan I. Leshner, Ph.D., Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse

of varying degrees.

Too often, students under stress turn to drugs of abuse to relieve the pressure.

Nicotine, alcohol, and illegal drugs are seen as a panacea for stress, anxiety, depression, and personal pain. The problem is that this approach merely treats the symptoms while, at the same time, increasing the risks of longterm health problems.

Students use cigarettes as stress reducers in spite of well-publi-

Nicotine acts as both a central nervous system stimulant and sedative. But it's highly addictive. Once a person is hooked, it's

tough to quit. The health risks of long-term cigarette smoking are well

And coeds who smoke, especially those who take birth control pills, are opening themselves up to an extra set of risks.

Marijuana is another stress reduction choice that has draw-

Short-term effects of marijuana use include memory problems, difficulty in thinking and problem solving, distorted perceptions, loss of coordination, increased heart rate, anxiety and panic

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Expert to Speak on Professional Wrestling and Its Consequences

Step aside, Jesse Ventura.

Sut Jhally, one of the world's leading experts on advertising and winning film, "Dreamworlds: media studies and a professor of communication at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, is scheduled to come to UVM.

He is set to discuss the explosion in popularity of professional wrestling and its cultural and social consequences -- especially in terms of the construction of masculinity, violence and the normalization of sexual violence -on Thursday, Nov. 1.

The free, public lecture will be held in the Fleming Museum auditorium at 3:30 p.m.

Jhally is well known on college campuses across the country, including at UVM, as a passionate and provocative speaker.

Over two million students have seen his controversial and award-Desire, Sex and Power in Music Video."

The Los Angeles Times called the film "a scathing examination

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of pop video's use and abuse of women" and MTV threatened to sue Jhally over its content.

As founder and executive director of the Media Education Foundation in Northampton,

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Activists Will Continue to Speak Out

I seem to be hearing the sentiment from some people that a certain section of the population needs to be shut up.

They say that we need to stop voicing our opinions, even though (because?) our opinions are educated and contain important perspectives on the war. Our assertions use historical evidence as well as logical reasons for ending this unjust war.

We are continually lectured on how Americans have died in innocence and how more will be dying to protect us. Well, let's just keep more people dying, then! I don't want my friends in the military to go into battle, and I don't want people of other nationalities to perish, either.

Let's stop this where it began — let's change American foreign policy. Let's defend ourselves within our own country in order to minimize the death count instead of quadrupling it with a war.

America needs to take a good look at itself. Last week's article, "Proud To Be An American?," brought up many instances that deserve our consideration. From the Vietnam War to sanctions on Iraq, to the inability of 44 million of our own people to get health care, the U.S. needs to change.

If it were not for people questioning the grave mistakes the American government has made, America might never be able to shed its darker side to become a country that we can be proud of.

Blind compliance will only let problems repeat themselves. In the meantime, the most respectful thing we can do is question. It is up to the people to keep their country in line.

This is what we will do — by wearing what we want, by writing what we want, by speaking what we want, and by organizing and taking action.

> Sophie Strosburg Class of 2003

Criticize Ideas, Not People

Over the past few weeks, letters have streamed into the Cynic office, adding to an already heated debate in the Opinions and Editorial pages.

These letters, opinion pieces, and columns often provide thoughtful insight into the international challenges facing the nation.

At times, however, these pieces have all but neglected the issues at hand, focusing instead on personal attacks aimed at those with differing opinions.

In recent days, difficult questions have

been asked: questions of war and peace, retaliation and introspection.

The topics of debate are clearly sensitive, and evoke strong feelings in everyone.

Even so, a level of respect must be maintained in order for the debate to remain constructive. Ideas should be criticized and writers should refrain from attacking the individuals who hold them.

Through open debate, it is possible to reach the heart of the many difficult questions facing the country and the community.

In this way, progress may be achieved.

Anti-Terrorism Bill Necessary for Now

The anti-terrorism bill President Bush signed into law last Friday, gives police unprecedented authority to search, seize, detain or eavesdrop in pursuit of potential terrorists.

It also gives federal agents unprecedented access to student records without the "health" and "safety" provisions that were included in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Civil libertarians have voiced legitimate concerns over the implications of the new law and how it may put personal freedoms in jeopardy over the concern for national safe-

That is precisely why the sunset provision which attaches a Dec. 31, 2005 expiration date on the part of the bill is so crucial.

In wartime, it is vital that law enforcement officials are granted the necessary powers to protect national security.

The war on terrorism is expected to take years, and the anti-terrorism bill is designed to protect Americans. The bill will help Vermont by more than tripling the federal aid the state receives to help prepare for bioterrorism as well as more than tripling the number of border guards and immigrattion and customs inspectors along the Vermont/Canadian border.

A careful examination of how the bill is being implemented and whether it is achieving what it should is crucial as the government deals with unexplored territory.

The American Civil Liberties Union exists to protect the freedoms of American citizens and has pledged to closely monitor police actions. It won't be long before the American people see how the law holds up

Students Should Respect Varying Opinions

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to an opinion printed in the Oct. 16 edition of The Vermont Cynic. Ms. Kate Stattel wrote a very energetic letter in response to what she heard at the teach-in held on campus following the Sept. 11 attacks.

What I found most upsetting was her outright disrespect towards Prof. Kaufman for no other reason than that she disagreed with his opinion. I am not sure where her facts concerning the "corporate-tainted media" and "neo-McCarthyism" came from, but any history or political science major could see her ignorance.

Ms. Stattel used her right to express her view that the U.S. had taken the wrong route in the aftermath to the terrorist attacks. I can respect her opinion, but all students should be respectful of other people's opinions. Our campus should be a protected place for a variety of opinions in our quest for diversity.

I have attended UVM for three and a half years. I have taken Mark Stoler's WWII and international relations classes as well as Kaufman's international relations class. These professors are known to disagree with each other, but they came together to teach a class entitled "Conflicting Interpretations International Relations." It was probably one of the most informative and welltaught classes that I have ever taken. The two men were respectful toward each other and frequently conceded to each other's opinions.

I wonder where Ms. Stattel learned what she knows as the truth? Has she taken classes from differing angles, or has she let one professor's ideas shut her mind to other points of view?

I also wonder where she leaned that it is okay to insult someone because he or she thinks differently than she does.

I know that at UVM I have learned to respect other opinions, to look at different situations from all angles and to make my own informed choices.

Hopefully, Ms. Stattel will learn this before she leaves.

> Rachel Jeske Class of 2002

Halloween Not to Be Forgotten

'Tis the season to put on fangs and mummy costumes. It is that time of year when bobbing for apples and toilet-papering houses become varsity sports.

Even if you have permanently hung up that cowboy costume, now is the time, more than ever, to pull it out of the closet.

Between midterms, the ideas of being at war, and the overall stress of college and life in general, the world can seem like not a

You might believe that this is not the appropiate time to celebrate, or that celebrating has become too childish for Halloween. We are adults, right?

Right, but that doesn't mean that you

have to throw away all of the fun Halloween can bring. Remember how you planned out your costume months ahead of time? And the mere idea of having a pillowcase full of candy made you giddy? Those days don't have to be forgotten.

It's time to break away from the monotony of life. Dress up like a Marilyn Monroe, a vampire, the Spice Girls, or Harry Potter. Buy tons of Halloween candy, especially candy corn and candy pumpkins. Whatever makes you happy.

Put away the stress about papers, world politics and college for 24 hours. It can be beneficial in ways never imagined. And besides, a little sugar high never hurt, either.

ISO Part of Broader Fight for Social Justice

To the Editor:

As members of the International Socialist Organization, we feel that it is necessary to respond to the essentially incendiary articles written by certain individuals intending to divide the left and stop the anti-war movement. It is necessary to clear our good name and to clear up misconceptions that those outside the ISO might not understand.

We have requested a debate with these individuals many times; they have always refused. They are content to run a campaign of personal attacks.

Their agenda is known: target ISO members and try to split them with the broader anti-war movement. Why? Because these people find it intolerable that we believe another world is possible, one in which the majority rule in the interests of the majority.

As with the majority of social movements, fights for women's suffrage, greater racial equality, labor rights, the idea of the "week-end," and the end of child labor, have all been fought only by mass movements of the people.

The fight for equality and true

democracy is the hardest and longestfight for those in search of a more humane and just world. Those who profit from the status quo have always fought back to control in their interests and they continue to do so.

The ISO is part of a much broader anti-war movement. The U.S. is one of only two countries in the world, with Israel being the other, where over 50% of the population support the bombing in Afghanistan. Many people support us.

For democracy, it is vitally important to appreciate our civil liberties. To condemn these freedoms is to stab our society's ideals in the heart. Therefore, to ask people to "support our country or get out" is clearly undemocratic in nature, and it is in no way "patriotic."

We call on those in opposition to use facts, end personal slander, and publicly debate the organization in a professional manner. Debate and openness are essential to progress.

Another world is possible!

Kathleen Brown, Class of 2005, on behalf of the Burlington Branch of the International Socialist Organization.

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We Must End All Terrorism

To the Editor:

Many people have written that "it's easy to criticize (U.S. policy), and there is a time for criticism, but not now." In fact, it is not easy to criticize American foreign policy, especially for a person who grieves at the deaths in NYC, and when public opinion is overwhelmingly supportive of military operations. And yet, now is the most important time for criticism and examination; millions of lives hang in the balance.

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To oppose the war is not to support terrorists. The world community is supportive of ending terrorism, and the U.S. does not need to act alone (or with its close allies only). The right course is for the U.S. to provide proof of culpability to the U.N. so that U.N. can arrest the guilty parties by extradition. If the Taliban failed to comply, the U.N. could send in a multinational force to extract the guilty parties.

There are approximately 7.5 million Afghan civilians at immediate risk of starvation (according to U.N. reports). They fled their homes in fear of U.S. attack. Winter is approaching, and there is no foreseeable end to the war.

Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur to the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights, said on Oct. 15, "The bombing has to stop right now. There is a humanitarian emergency. In winter, the lorries cannot go in anymore. Millions of Afghans will be unreachable in winter and winter is coming very, very soon."

Real relief for displaced civilians would involve opening borders and sending in trucks with supplies; however, neither of these things can happen while the war is in progress.

Christian Aid Spokesman Dominic Nutt put it bluntly: "We are beyond the stage where we can sit down and talk about this over tea...If they stop the bombing, we can get the food aid in; it's as simple as that... A few planes throwing lunchboxes around over the mountains is laughable."

The Taliban offered to turn bin Laden over to a third country. President Bush rejected this offer. Rephrased: President Bush has decided that it is better to risk the starvation of 7.5 million people than to allow bin Laden to be tried in Switzerland. Apart from humanitarian concerns, this is quite likely to breed hundreds of new people, new terrorists, whose hatred of the U.S. is so intense that they would be willing to kill more innocent civilians.

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"Terrorism" can be simply defined as the killing of innocent civilians for political goals. By that definition, this military operation is terrorism on a scale that dwarfs the attacks in NYC and DC.

It is with a strong sense of patriotism, and respect and reverence for the dead in NYC, that I press for an end to the war, and a beginning for justice.

> Shaun Stephens Continuing Education

SSDP Says War on Drugs Up in Smoke

So you're getting good grades. You're doing justice to those folks who raised you, your scholarship money, and hell, yourself. You feel pretty good, eh? And very well you should. You're a mover and a shaker, you dashing duuder, you, creating equilibrium between your general academics and your extracurriculars. You work hard.

And on the weekends, you play hard. After a grueling week's accomplishments, you let the weekend put a glide in your stride. You are about to cut loose and get funky with your friends. You will, mindful that others may not wish to partake in your festivities, remain in your buddy's room with a few other chaps.

You will, respectful that some may wish to pass the evening quietly, carry yourself with decorum. Your night will pass with an appropriate noise level, miles of smiles, and perhaps a communal vessel for marijuana.

Enter scratching record sound effect. You are now in trouble. That knock you hear at the door? Not the warm and friendly greeting of comradery. No.

You, my friend, are about to be visited by the po. What? The room you were in was quiet and orderly? You and a few friends were releasing some of the weekly stresses in

responsible fashion? No matteryour room SMELLED. This is the point at which all your hard-earned successes become irrelevant. Oh, undue criminal, allow me to introduce SSDP.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy, a newly-forming group meeting at 5:00 p.m., Thursday nights in Billings' Marsh Lounge, is most disapproving of the rampant, hard-handed law blindly laid down upon the intellectual individuals of UVM. A local chapter of a national organization, UVM's SSDP is headed by Tatum O'Malley, a UVM alumni currently working with the needle exchange program through Howard Human Services.

Among other goals, SSDP strives to disprove the social stigma that casual drug usage, for which so many students are assailed, is a problem. Because of such an image, our government arrives at laws which include you losing your financial aid, you 4.0 killa, you, if convicted of possessing paraphernalia with resin in it.

If you, oh diligent academe, wish to devicitmize the wiggity oppression that is current drug penalty, help get SSDP on its feet and in the classroom.

Cynic columnist Ashley Lyons is a member of the Class of 2005

Anthrax: What Should We Think?

Ignoring Those Most Affected: The Postal Workers



Brandon Johnson
Political Columnist

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But fears aside, there are other issues to face. First, where did this weapon come from? Iraq? If so, then American foreign policy is directly to blame because we were Saddam's suppliers. We gave him his poisons when he was our friend fighting Iran.

We are currently the world's top arms exporters. Arguments that this is good for world or US security simply cannot be true. (The Taliban's stinger missiles? American, too.)

Second, the unequal treatment workers and legislatures received is astonishing. Although Gephardt called the Anthrax in Congress "weapons grade" and even "gaseous," no one gave any thought to the ordinary people who sort the mail everyday.

Congressional leaders thought the Anthrax could float through their air ventilation, but could it leave a paper envelope?! Never.

Or were they just not thinking of the rest of us?

A postal employee went to the hospital with symptoms twice—just to be sent home twice. Then he died.

Congressional dogs were tested before postal workers.

Close to a week after the attack, up to 1,354 postal employees left testing sites with no exam. Collectively, they received 10 doses of Cipro; Congress got 60. As the

New York Times reported, no one could explain the difference.

ence.

If any irony still exists, it lies in the fact that the postal service is, by far, more important to the running of America

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than Congress.

After all, the economic package passed by the House, as Krugman of the Times put it, "looks as if it was written by corporate lobbyists—and it probably was." Bush loves it. Billions for companies, nothing for those fired—that is an attack as deadly as Anthrax.

How will U.S. bombing Afghanistan stop Anthrax? It won't. It's not designed to.

We're warring for oil colonies and ignoring ordinary Americans.

When We Learn Source, We Must Fight Back Hard



Peter Morrison
Political Columnist

The amount of Anthrax cases that have come to light in recent days is increasingly disturbing not only for the

for the extent of areas that were targeted and have been contaminated.

As of Oct. 20, there have been a total of 13 Anthrax infections, three deaths from the inhaled version, four cases of the inhaled version, six cases of the cutaneous version, and a total of 32 exposures.

One of the most important developments will be the genetic testing to determine whether the Anthrax from all the locations is from the same

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batch. If the results of these tests come back as a match, I think that the likelihood lessens that the responsibility for the attacks lies in some disgruntled individual from within the United States.

Instead, we will conclude that it is likely that an associate of Bin Laden or of Saddam Hussein is responsible.

This use of biological weapons of mass destruction is disturbing; not because of the threat that Anthrax itself posesses, but for the fact that

We must act quickly and with whatever force necessary.

they are willing to use it.

There was a recent report in the British newspaper The Times that said that intelligence sources believe that Bin Laden and his organization have acquired nuclear materials from Pakistan. These materials could be used in a "Dirty Bomb" which would be a conventional weapon with the nuclear material inside to increase the lethality of the bomb and spread radiation.

If there was any doubt in your mind that these terrorists would not use nuclear devices if possible, then simply look at the attacks from biological weapons: cheaper, but just as deadly.

Mutually assured destruction and traditional deterrence will not work against terrorists. If we have evidence that terorists are behind the Anthrax attack and that they have acquired nuclear material, we must act quickly and with whatever force necessary, whether conventional or nuclear, to ensure our safety.

First Kabul, Then Baghdad



John Kantor ror.
Political Columnist not in Afghanistan.

in Afghanistan.

This will not end with Al Qaeda and the destruction of the Taliban. Every Arab country has condemned the Sept. 11 attacks except Iraq because Iraq is obviously complicit with the Sept. 11 and the following Anthrax attacks.

Why would Al Qaeda meet with Saddam's former Secret Service director? Why would Al Qaeda meet with Saddam's Vice-President? Why would Mohammad Atta meet with Iraqi spies? Why would Al Qaeda lend Iraq some of its fighters to help repress the

Kurds (which our no-fly-zone prevented Saddam from handling himself)?

What can bin Laden possibly hope to get from Iraq? Why has bin Laden made Iraq's No-Fly-Zone an issue? Al Qaeda is not sophisticated enough to make weaponized Anthrax on its own. We know that Iraq has a substantial quantity of Anthrax. It is an easy connection to make.

The author doesn't need to go to a weeklong socialist summer indoctrination camp in Chicago to hear Denis Halliday whine about the poor peasants whom the U.N.'s sanctions are killing. I know. We all know. Let's end this propaganda game and give the Socialist Worker one less thing to cry about. Nobody will dispute that Saddam has placed his own importance over that of his people.

We must invade Baghdad,

terminate Saddam and his Ba'ath regime, and then end the sanctions. Once upon a time, Saddam was a necessary evil to check Iran. Now Iran has semi-democratic elections and has become a more stable regime.

Bush can finish what his father started.

The demise of the power of the radical ayatollahs and their support for Hamas and Hizbollah is imminent. Now we can go in after Saddam, and President Bush can finish what his father started. After we are done with the Ba'ath and they are out of power, the UN can step in and nation-build as it has been doing in East Timor and is expected to do in Afghanistan.

Through war, we may finally have peace in our time. God Bless America.



He Shoots

Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Freshmen take a break to play some hoops outside Chittenden/Buckham/Wills dormitory complex.

New Law May Affect Student Privacy

Continued from front

The anti-terrorism bill expands the grounds upon which federal agencies can inspect student records. However, the Office of the Registrar believes the law will not have a major effect on the release of records.

"My impression is that this doesn't seem to radically change the way we deal with the release of student records," said Williams.

"Agencies still need to have a subpoena. We never give out classified information without one. So, therefore, we don't really expect an increase in requests for student records."

According to the American Association of Registrars and Admissions Officers, over 220 colleges have turned over information about their international students since the Sept. 11 attacks. However, Williams' office has reported no subpoenas demanding student information and no unusual requests.

'During these times of unrest, I'm prepared to make concessions.'

> -Chris Glynn Class of 2003

"It is very uncommon that we actually release this kind of information," he said. "We're here to guard student records, not just open the doors to anyone who asks for them."

Some UVM students expressed faith in the anti-terrorism bill and in the administration's ability to deal with its clauses.

"I'm a strong civil libertarian," said junior Chris Glynn. "However, during these times of unrest, I'm prepared to make concessions. Like the late Justice Arthur Goldberg said: 'though designed to protect individual liberties, the Bill of Rights is not a suicide pact."

Senator Jim Jeffords (I-Vt.) expressed satisfaction with the revised anti-terrorism bill. In a statement last Thursday he said, "I believe this legislation strikes the proper balance between preserving civil liberties and providing law enforcement with greater tools for fighting the war against terrorism."

Also, Senator Patrick Leahy (D

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Keith Williams
 UVM Registrar

-Vt.) said that the bill that finally passed through the House and the Senate "is a far better bill than proposed to us by the Administration and a better bill than either body passed initially."

Leahy worked extensively as the head of the Senate Judiciary Committee to address civil liberties concerns presented by the proposed anti-terrorism bill.

The bill includes a four-year sunset provision that Leahy said "will go hand-in-hand with the close Congressional oversight that will be crucial in making sure that these new law enforcement powers are not abused."

Jeffords commended Leahy's work on the bill.

"Pat stuck to his guns through some tough negotiations, and the final product demonstrates how we as Americans can fight the war on terrorism while not sacrificing the freedoms we hold so dear."

Workshop on Student Activism to Teach Methods

Continued from front

The workshops will offer an array of teaching opportunities such as basic and advanced grassroots organizing, how to organize at UVM, class issues, utilizing the

'We need to recognize that students have a lot to give and a lot to learn from each other.'

-Stephanie Morgan

media for activism, anti-racist organizations, and reproductive rights.

"The entire point of grassroots organizing is to break down a hierarchy and get a community involved," said Shiner

"We need to recognize that students have a lot to give and a lot to learn from each other."

Many student activist groups will be present at the conference to offer information about how to get involved on the UVM campus.

Lecture Presented on Cultural Effects of Professional Wrestling

Continued from front

Jhally has produced several films, books and articles on contemporary culture and the media's relationship to violence, gender, racism, sexual assault and commercialism.

As a teacher and lecturer, he enlightens and empowers audiences to take actions toward creating a more just and compassionate world.

Jhally's talk at UVM is sponsored by the UVM Faculty Working Group on Media, Culture and Society, the departments of sociology and English and the Center for Teaching and Learning.

-University Communications

Drugs Can Lead to More Problems

Continued from front

Some students try to relieve stress by partying. A variety of drugs are now available at campus parties, bars, and clubs including ecstasy, methamphetamine, and "date rape drugs"—GHB, rohypnol, and ketamine.

All become more potent and dangerous when mixed with alcohol.

Ecstasy is called the "hug drug." Users feel that it breaks down emotional barriers, while having no side effects.

Yet research has shown that regular ecstasy use can lead to damage of brain cells that regulate sleep, mood, and memory.

Long-term health consequences include memory loss, potential cardiac and neurological damage, and aggression.

Date rape drugs have no taste and are odorless and colorless.

If slipped into a student's drink, they create a sedating effect that removes barriers to sexual assault or unplanned, unsafe sex.

Alcohol, nicotine, and illegal drugs will not make your problems go away.

-Director Alan I. Leshner, Ph.D., National Institute on Drug Abuse

Dating Abuse Most Common on Campuses

Dating abuse is the most common form of violence on campus today, according to the Feminist Majority Foundation.

One in three women is a victim of dating abuse, not including cases of sexual abuse, according to the foundation.

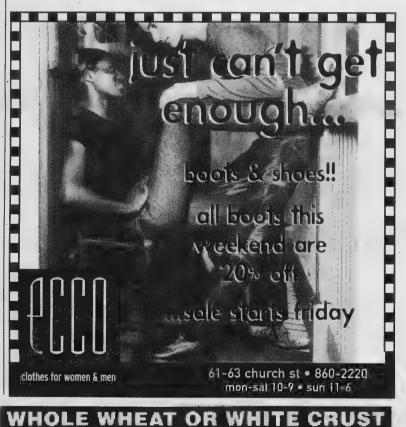
"Dating abuse is silent," said Rus Funk, a member of a forum held at George Washington University on the subject. He said the reality is that most students are unaware when a relationship becomes abusive.

"Friends don't let friends batter the women they love," Funk said.

Funk said the idea that females are the only ones abused isn't always true. Men are equally prone, he said.

No national organization exists to address directly the issue of abuse on a student level.

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2. Register for courses via World Wide Web or Touchtone.

3. Remember to have the computer numbers of alternate courses available.

4. Registration Schedule:

CURRENT CLASS	REGISTRATION	START DATE TIME
Graduate, Certificate, Medical	Monday	November 12 6AM until MIDNIGHT
Senior	Tuesday	November 13 6AM until MIDNIGHT
Junior	Wednesday	November 14 6AM until MIDNIGHT
Sophomore	Thursday	November 15 6AM until MIDNIGHT
First Year	Friday	November 16 6AM until MIDNIGHT

You may register any time after your start date. Touchtone and Web registration will be operating from 6 AM until Midnight January 29, 2002.

We recommend that you login now to Student Registration/Add/Drop, then select "Registration Menu" on the Web and select "Check your Registration Status". If you have any holds that prevent registration, you will have time to resolve them before you want to register.



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ARTS & LEISURE

A History of Ghosts at UVM

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Ghosts. It's that time of year, and everyone's getting a little fearful of something, though he may not know what. Lurking in every historical corner of the University of Vermont campus, a ghost may

In 1997, ghost story hunter · Joseph Citro proceeded to look into UVM's lurky past of suicides and hauntings in the first ever ghost-census for The Vermont Quarterly. The findings can also

The only other-worldly noises heard were toilets flushing and AIM beeping.

be located in his book, "Green Mountains, Dark Tales." The top local haunts on campus include Converse Hall, Old Mill, Coolidge Hall, and though not accounted for in Citro's book, it's been said by some believers that a Millis floor is haunted as well. I decided to do a little investigation of my own.

Armed with a flashlight, camera, tape recorder, and two very reluctant friends, I started my ghost hunting adventure.

Most equipment, though too expensive for most college students, represent some of the greatest new tools in paranormal stud-

First stop, Millis/Harris. Not exactly a prime location for ghost hunting given the facts: hundreds of stuck-on campus freshmen engaged in exploring how late they can stay up without their eyelids falling off. The only otherworldly noises heard were toiletflushing and AIM beeping.

En route to the main campus, unnatural shadows stuck out and weird noises were recorded.

Another presence was indeed felt, and sent chills up and down our spines. And when that squirrel came dashing out of a bush and into the nearest tree, we all got quite a scare, to say the least. An anomaly of a transparent streak was caught in one photo, but upon further investigation, turned out to be my camera strap hanging in front of the lens.

Old Mill, the first building ever erected at the University of Vermont, should be teaming with spirits and paranormal activity. Instead, my team was met by locked doors.

And indeed, when following up on the report the next day, doors shut by themselves, professors' rooms were mysteriously locked during office hours, and stairwells eerily echoed footsteps. (Note: The footsteps recorded on EVP devices, when played over on our main computer, were found to be our own.)

Last but not least, our team was led to Converse Hall, home of the unsolved suicide in the 1920's by a student named Henry. It is said that doors open and shut by themselves, rocking chairs rock untouched, dorm rooms rearrange themselves, and beer cans fly across the room. When the team reached the door of the housing facility, we had psyched ourselves up, and as we started to enter, the door flew open. We vacated the premises immediately so as not to harm any of the team members.

Though we didn't find any of the alleged ghosts at the UVM campus, the team has come to the conclusion that it is highly likely that they do exist; or at least that they

Perhaps we'll never find them a solid and clear reality, but in any case, there is always next year.



Courtesy Photo

Caricatures of Michael J. Fox in his dual roles.

The Accuracy of "Monster"

By DAN McCLUSKEY

Do werewolves need prevocation or do they simply attack?

In this season of Smurfs, hockey players and Teletubbies, paranormal activity threatens us all.

A werewolf is a person who undrgoes transformation, either voluntarily or otherwise, into a wolf under the influence of a full

The issue at hand is whether or not said werecreature is neccessarily a threat or just another of God's children shrouded in darkness and desperately misunder-

The Earth's lone satelite has a twenty-eight day cycle and when the Sun illuminates the moon in it's entirety, those persons with the affliction begin a series of changes.

Finger and toenails, as well as canines grow to roughly three times there usual size and hair becomes thicker and coarser. Musculature is enhanced while body fat is reduced and eyes often becone yellow.

As UVM seior Joseph Dowling suggests, "It's out of their hands once the moon rises full. The person doesn't neccessarily want to take human life but given a limited time frame, the wolf'll do anything it needs to to eat."

Immediately upon offering his two cents, Dowling was contested by fellow senior Ashley Michael who suggests that were people do indeed need to be provokedin order to be driven to murder.

"I've never encountered a werewolf per se but if we were to compare one to, say, a bear or even a moose, it does not wake up in the morning with a hankering for human flesh.

"Someone trying to sneak up to hunt or get a picture of the animal would freak it out and thus be attacked."

Research involving folklore and filmproved inconclusive.

Scott Howard from the movie Teen Wolf did not feed on human flesh though did become aggressive when provoked.

Wolfman from 1987's Monster Squad, had virtually no respect for human life and proved to be little more than Dracula's b*tch.

It remains unclear whether the general population runs the risk of falling victim though jumping to conclusions probably leads to a hightened sense of alienation in the wolf which would make them less apprehensive to attack.

With the approaching full moon, treat others as you would like to be treated; as far as we can gather, it could save your life.

Lane Series to Present Olga Kern

The University of Vermont Lane Series will present pianist Olga Kern - the first woman to win a gold medal at the Van Cliburn International Competition since 1969 - in performances on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 2 and 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the UVM Recital Hall.

A flamboyant and passionate performer in the Russian style, Kern was a favorite at the rigorous and prestigious 2001 Cliburn Competition, which annually awards gold, silver and bronze

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medals to young pianists displaying the greatest mastery in solo recital. chamber music and concerto performance.

Kern, a resident of Moscow, is a regular soloist with the Moscow State Symphony and has appeared with the Moscow Philharmonic, Russian National Symphony, La Scala Philharmonic.

Johannesburg Philharmonic and the Boston Pops. At UVM, she will perform two Schubert Impromptus; Brahms' Variations on a Theme by Paganini, Opus 35 books I and II: Chopin's Fantasy in f minor, Op. 49: Liszt's Réminiscences de Don Juan and Balakirev's Islamey.

The Friday, Nov. 2, performance is sold out, but tickets (\$25 adults/\$20 students) are available for Saturday, Nov. 3. Order securely online at www.uvm.edu/laneseries/, visit the Campus Ticket Store or call 656-3085. For more information, con-Natalie Neuert mailto:nneuert@zoo.uvm.edu.

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The DTB takes an aggressive approach to roots music blending music ranging from blues, rock, Latin, and even eastern Indian music.

Derek Trucks has played with such musical greats as Bob Dylan, Buddy Guy, Willie Nelson, The Allman Brothers. Phil Lesh and Friends and Phish.

Trucks has been fortunate to have many influences to draw from having shared the stage with such artists as Bob Dylan, Buddy Guy, Willie Nelson, Phish and many more.

He has also performed as lead guitarist for Phil Lesh and Friends as well as holding down the slide guitar position in The Allman Brothers for the last

The DTB will be performing on Thursday, November 1 at Higher Ground with Special guest Seth Yacovone Band.

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Looking Ahead: Men's Basketball

By LISA OBRENTZ

Youthful and powerful, the Men's Basketball team enters

Men's Basketball

2001-2002 in the rearranged America East Conference. Delaware, Drexel and Hofstra, the top three teams from last season, have all joined the Colonial Athletic Association, which gives great incentive to the Cats.

Senior co-captains Trevor Gaines and Corry McLaughlin are at the head of a strong group of Catamount players this year. Gaines was among the America East leaders in scoring, with 12.9 points per game, and is the top

'Corry is a big asset off the bench and also brings outstanding senior leadership to the team.

> -Tom Brennan Basketball Coach

returning rebounder in the conference at 7.6 per game.

McLaughlin has been named an America East Academic All-Star in each of his four years at UVM. "Corry is a big asset off the bench and he also brings outstanding senior leadership to the team," said Coach Tom Brennan.

In the frontcourt, valuable players to keep an eye on include much-improved juniors 6-7 Grant Anderson and 6-7 Scotty Jones. T.J Sorrentine, Corey Sullivan and Andre Anderson will step up and have big roles to play in the back-

The new season is right around the corner and UVM will look forward to facing Albany, Binghampton and Stony Brook, the newcomers to the America East Conference. Come and cheer on the Men's Hoops at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 5 at the Patrick Gym as the hoopsters play an



University Photography Senior co-captain Trevor Gaines jumps to make the shot.

exhibition game against the USDBL All-Stars. A New Year's Eve home game against Albany will kick off the 2001-2002 America East league for the Cats.

Cats Fall to the Blue Eagles: Fourth Straight Loss

On Friday night in the Gutterson Fieldhouse, three

Men's Hockey

Moncton players each scored a goal in the first period. Moncton held on to defeat Vermont, 6-4, in a men's hockey exhibition game.

"We made some big mistakes in the neutral zone in the first and second periods," Vermont coach

Mike Gilligan said.

"We only played 20 minutes of intense hockey. We dug too big a hole for ourselves.

"(But) after the third period, we can feel a bit better," he added.

Vermont will have next weekend off before playing its first ECAC games of the season at home on Nov. 9 and 10, hosting Harvard and Brown.

-Sports Info

IMMUNIZATION ALERT

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Sports

Just recently, I had the chance to check out the UVM women's tennis team host the New

England Championships, as I cover their Columnist team for the

Sports Information department. Vermont entered the tournament as the reigning champion and had most of its same roster return, so you would think that they would be the favorites to repeat. That's where you're wrong.

After looking over the program, I realized that the University of Connecticut, one of the ten teams competing, had the top seed in five of six singles flights and all three doubles flights. Not really thinking too much of their stats, I witnessed UCONN rule over the rest of the field in convincing fashion to claim their first New England Championship. Yet more surprisingly, UCONN won with four of their top six players being fresh-

After I looked at the history of the tournament, I realized that

in the past five years, the best finish that Connecticut had posted was fourth place. Something just didn't quite seem to add up, which led me to ask around and do a little research.

You probably wouldn't believe me if I told you the football team is the women's tennis team's secret to success, would you?

You probably wouldn't believe me if I told you the football team is the women's tennis team's secret to success, would you? But that's exactly what happened. Connecticut's football team jumped to Division I from IAA just two years ago, and by doing so, other teams are now feeling the financial benefits.

This is in large part because the cream of the crop look at UCONN's football team and see an easy victory, so they offer cash incentives in exchange for a good ass-kicking to either start off the season or for Homecoming weekend. This season, Connecticut took on recent top ten perennial power Virginia Tech, and on tab in the future are trips to Boston College, Miami and Syracuse, to name a few.

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You think, how could two scholarships really make that big of a deal? When you are one of, if not the only team that offers scholarships, a big difference is

What they did was totally legal and not against NCAA rules, but by doing so, the field of play was no longer even. So look at it as you want, but while Connecticut's football team may be taking a beating, their other sports are benefiting from it.



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September 11, 2001



University Cracks Down on Copyright Infringement

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

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Since the first mp3 download and the Napster craze that followed, copyright infringement has been and ever increasing problem.

On October 28, 1998, President Clinton signed the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, or DMCA. The Act prevents copyright holders from directly

'We provide people with access to the internet and we have some obligation to act.'

> -Dean Williams **Assistant Director CIT Client Services**

suing internet providers, such as University of Vermont, as long as they respond to copyright infringement warnings against private users.

And UVM has been very careful to take action when they receive such notices from major companies such as Sony, this year especially.

"They [Sony] have some type of software robot to target specific songs that users are downloading," Roger Lawson, director of Computer Information and Technology says. "I get these complaints and I pass them on to client services, who deal with them." The most notable artists that have been examined are Incubus and Michael Jackson.

Students have received these notification letters since classes have been in session this year, thanks to programs like KaZaA and Morpheus.

These letters simply advise the student or faculty member to stop the violation at once and respond within three days time or further action will take place.

One thing to point out, however, is that "the university doesn't go looking for copyright violators," Dean Williams, assistant director for CIT Client Services said. CIT doesn't search through students' and employees' playlists and handpick violations.

But the DMCA being law, when a company complains, it can't be ignored.

"We provide people with access to the internet, and we have some obligation to act," said

Not only do these letters get

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Charges Add Up for Undergraduates



Sorrel Namaste/VC Staff

Students use their Cat Cards of Cook Commons, a popular eatery on campus.

Students Dig Deep for Extra Expenses

By KATHRYN ASELTINE

Many Vermont undergraduates face mounting miscellaneous charges after tuition.

These charges include parking tickets, expensive food prices, dorm lockout fees, buying books and drinking violation fines.

Some students feel they are being cheated.

"What I don't like is that there are no prices on the food in Alice's and Simpson store," said freshman Meg Roberts. Because we don't have a way to get to Hannaford's or other grocery stores, we shouldn't have to pay more."

In addition to food prices, hefty

drinking fines have added to the financial burden of some.

Students who are found to be violating university drinking policies are often sent to S.U.R.E. Reduction Use (Substance Education).

A S.U.R.E. I class costs 95 dollars and a S.U.R.E. II class costs 195 dollars.

"Students are being fined exorbitant amounts of money for drinking, an activity which college students have a reputation for doing," said junior Kathleen Scanlon.

"The S.U.R.E. program fees pay for what it actually costs to

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Police Presence Concerns Some Students



Andy Duback/VC Staff

UVM Police Officer Scott Frennier calls into headquarters after confiscating drug paraphenalia in a Living/Learning

Chief Margolis Sees Improvement

By KATE ALLEGRINI

The level of police presence on campus has long been a topic of debate among members of the UVM community. Some students feel the police presence in the dormitoriees provides them with a sense of security while others feel their personal space is being violated.

The top complaint by students on the Student Government Association's e-mail address, tixmeoff@zoo.uvm.edu is the presence of UVM police officers in the dormitories. A poll conducted by the SGA determined those residing Living/Learning Center are most tolerable of police in dorms.

"I think the police are doing a good job," said sophomore Maury

Lynch. "I am a resident of Living/Learning and find their presence not as invasive, probably because there is more personal space in this living environment. Friends of mine in Harris/Millis however, always complain about their invading presence."

SGA President Bill Tickner cited the need for finding a balance between student security and authority of UVM Police

"The police think their mere presence helps bolster relationships among students and authority," Tickner said. "Many students don't agree with this notion, feeling their sense of private space being violated. I value police service as a necessary resource

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Parke Named Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education

University of Vermont Provost John Bramley has announced the appointment of Lauck Parke, an associate professor in UVM's School Business of Administration, to the position of vice provost for undergraduate education.

Parke's appointment fills the position vacated by Jane Lawrence, who left the university in October to join the University of California system.

Bramley said that his decision followed a two-month search to identify candidate's with both a strong commitment to students and a demonstrated record of efforts to enhance the experience of undergraduates.

He specifically charged Parke with the responsibility for building upon the accomplishments of Lawrence, especially in the areas

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of faculty advising, the first year experience, honors programs and the streamlining of procedures students must follow to attain double major and cross college minors.

Bramley also indicated that Parke's experience in the areas of organizational design and the management of change, as well as his more than 20 years of teaching management in the business school, would prove invaluable in both the university's reorganiza-

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Williams Building Undergoes Restoration

By SARA OWEN

Passerbys en route to Billings or another classroom have likely noticed the yellow scaffolding and chain link fence surrounding Williams Art Building. restoration of the building is expected to cost slightly under 1.5 million dollars.

"It all started with the building needing a new roof," said Project

'The building is over 100 years old and this is the first roof job it's ever had done.'

> -Ralgh Olberg Project Manager

Manager of Architecture Ralph Olberg. "The building is over 100 years old and this is the first roof job it's ever had done."

Built in 1896, and originally intended for science education, the Williams Art Building is a copy of the Oxford Museum in England. With three and a half stories of red brick, Williams incorporates terracotta Gothic ornamentation and Romanesque entrance arches.

"We also reappointed and reinstalled many of the gargoyles, terracotta finials and edging; a lot of them were hanging on by sheer luck."

Scaffolding is due to come down around Thanksgiving, although this doesn't mean that the whole building will be completed. There are three copper cupolas, 12 feet square and 30 feet high that need to be repaired.

"One of the cupolas was so deteriorated that it was unsafe for people working around it," said Olberg. The cupolas have been shipped away to be reconstructed

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The Mission Is Clear

No one wants war. No one wants to see more civilian casualties.

But the nation has been challenged, and it must respond to defend the freedoms and values upon which America is founded.

President Bush's calculated and decisive action against terrorists and the countries that harbor them should be commended.

America has taken a strong and level-headed approach in dealing with the crisis at hand.

The office of the Presidency in the time of uncertainty deserves the undying respect from anyone who considers himself an American.

Now is the time to stand behind the troops, who fight to preserve the rights that some use to criticize military actions in Afghanistan.

They are serving to protect our nation, so that people will not be afraid to lead normal lives

To criticize acts of patriotism is shameful. It is a disgrace to any American in this time of war.

This isn't an issue of whether or not to be at war, it is an issue of defending the freedoms America provides for its citizens. The answer is clear. The nation must defend itself.

No one wants war, but for now, it is the best

Better Relations Through Knowledge

There needs to be a better relationship between police and students. No one is asking them to become best friends, but they need to respect one another.

A way for that to occur is for students to be well-informed of their rights as residents and students on this campus. Be informed of what can and cannot be done, for both the residents and the police.

Living on campus is not the same as living in downtown Burlington. It is imperative for students to know their rights, so it will be obvious when they are being violated.

If the student body doesn't realize they are being mistreated, it will be not be stopped. Knowing the rights of students and residents on this campus goes along with knowing what the police has a right to do as well.

It is their responsibilty to uphold the rules

and regulations of the campus and the state. To do so, they have rights to make sure that is happening.

If something seems unfair, check it out. All rules and regulations are public knowledge. How would one know if they are being violated if they are not aware of the policies?

If the rule seems unneccesary, talk with someone about it. It is not the best time to talk about it when someone is being charged. Students may not agree with the policies, and no one is saying that they should.

To solve the issue, don't lash out at the police while they are upholding the policy. Attempt to get it changed in a more peaceful

The best way to be protected is to be informed.

Don't Fall Into a Winter Rut

With the cold and darkness coming, things can seem very dreary. It is seems the easiest way to deal with the gloom is to shut the blinds and hang out on the couch.

Don't let it be. It is easy to fall into a rut of class, work, sleep, class. The weather doesn't make it any more inviting to make an attempt to go to Church Street or to go hiking for the day.

Fight the urge to hibernate. Up in Vermont, there is a lot to do during the winter.

Don't ski? Don't worry, there are plenty of other things to do around here. Join an inturmural team with friends, or play frisbee in the snow.

Don't feel like playing? Then make the trek to Gutterson and support the hockey team. There are two ECAC games coming up and they need everyone's support.

Go to Patrick Gym and watch the men's and women's basketball team. School spirit is crucial during these winter months, and Charlie and Kitty Catamount will be dissapointed if the house is empty.

There are other things to do besides sports. Make some art, or learn a new instrument. Overall, make a real attempt not to fall into a winter rut, wishing for spring break.

The winter is long and dark here, at least make the best of it.

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Afghan Debate Takes Horrifying Turn

To the Editor:

As I read this week's installment of the Afghan war debate, I feel that it has taken a new and horrifying turn.

First, Peter Morrison's suggested that the United States might even consider the use of nuclear weapons against the people of Afghanistan (I deliberately didn't say against the terrorists—these terrorists hide far too well to be killed by any form of mass attack).

Second, John Kantor's mocking tone about the plight of the Afghan people. Afghanistan is one of the world's poorest countries, wracked by twenty years of civil war, and currently led by a government where half the people have absolutely no rights.

My heart is with the people of Afghanistan, innocent victims of this war and many others, exactly as it is with the innocent victims who died in the Sept. 11 tragedy.

Bin Laden and his lieutenants should be captured, tried and brought to justice, preferably Islamic justice.

A secular court can sentence these terrorists to jail, but an Islamic religious court has the unique power to sentence them to hell for their murder of thousands of innocent people.

On the other hand, terrorism is no excuse for terrorism—is bombing Afghan civilians any different or any better than bombing American civilians?

I don't have the answers, but I do know that violence begets violence and that terrorists recruit in countries ravaged by war and invasion.

Dan Wells Old North End Resident

Inform Yourselves Before Speaking Out

To the Editor:

I would like to comment on the growing division between UVM students, as well as between many Americans, in reference to the terrorist attacks and the resulting military conflict in Afghanistan. It seems like everyone and their mom has some sort of opinion on what our country should do. Unfortunately there are many who are, to put it mildly, speaking opinions in an ill-informed manner.

In the past weeks we've all encountered both the "kill 'em all" types and the 1968 throw-back anti-war types, as well as their more moderate counterparts. I am not attacking passionate opinions, but I must say this: get informed before you announce yourself to the world.

We all know this is a very tough issue. There are many valid reasons to oppose this war, as there are many valid reasons to support it.

This isn't a simple Vietnam with American forces being blindly drawn into an endless political war with no clear cause, nor is this a WWII with a fight against obvious violations of human rights and abuses of power.

Any attempt to reference the current situation to these and other past events in our history is absurd. This is an entirely new ball game, with new rules, and new issues to deal with.

I urge this community to think before you speak. Get multiple news sources (including those that are not American), hear different opinions, use your own judgment and keep an open mind.

I commend those that hold deeply patriotic beliefs, and I also commend those who are using their constitutional right to speak out against actions they deem unjust.

This is what makes the United States so great, but what makes it equally as great is our right to incorporate these multiple viewpoints into our own system of values and beliefs.

So whether you are denouncing the flag, or putting 15 of them on your car, remember — opinions are only as valuable as the structure of logic that they are based on.

Lee Stetson Class of 2002

War Not the Answer, But Respect Debate

To the Editor:

In response to Gutman's letter, I agree that all people have the right to express their opinions. It is my opinion that Professor Kaufman impeded the rights of others to express theirs in the teach-in. He assumed that every question was directed to him personally and he rudely proceeded to talk over people and repeatedly interrupt them.

Even so, I shouldn't have said that I hope my tuition dollars aren't being put towards Kaufman's salary, I apologize.

As far as that rambling monstrosity written by Henderson is concerned, I'm not going to waste my time responding to the very inaccurate stereotypes he used to describe me. He is assuming that anyone who is against the war is part of the "terrible" ISO, and yet he obviously doesn't know what the ISO is all about.

As a Social Democrat, I can objectively say that at least the ISO folks aren't punching people, or inciting people to punch people, or posting antagonistic letters around campus, like the "Hey Brandon Johnson" letter Kantor so eloquently wrote. Considering what abuse they've taken, I think the ISO's

been doing a great job keeping cool.

The US was increasingly losing global support as Bush began to implement his policies, including his rejection of the Kyoto protocol. Now we are mistaking global support against terrorism as global Support for Bush policy. You will see that the rest of the world does not support the US bombing of Afghanistan, and there is no justification for our destruction of an already impoverished country.

Please just look at CNN—you'll see the never-ending caption "America Strikes Back." Um, I hate to be the one to break it to you, but Afghanistan never struck us. Instead of looking at what we have done to drive this faction of people to attack us, we intensify our aggression against an entire country.

War is not the answer. The more a super-power oppresses and demoralizes its target, the more the target will resist. This tension will escalate to the point where these extremists won't just be punching us, instead they may resort to even more violent behavior.

Kate Stattel
Class of 2002

Engage in Discourse, Not Attacks

To the Editor:

I have been following the debate over the current US military campaign in the Cynic for the past several weeks, and I appreciate that the paper is devoting space to this important debate.

Unfortunately, many of the recent letters have stooped to the low level of name-calling and sending open-ended challenges across the political spectrum through the written word.

It is understandable that people are very agitated and upset. The events of Sept. 11 have both scared and saddened people around the world. People on both sides of the political spectrum need the opportunity to mourn the loss of life and vent their anger, fears and frustrations.

The challenge for us now is to

be able to engage in public debate over our nation's policies without resorting to personal attacks, physical or verbal. It is our responsibility to encourage public discourse, even in an environment of instability and division. A democratic society depends on the courage and compassion of an active and responsible citizenry.

Although I oppose the current military campaign, as a life-long resident of Vermont and citizen of the US, I continue to respect the leadership of our country and the men and women of our armed forces. I believe that there are alternatives to war and that it is possible to create the conditions in society so that violence is no longer perceived as a necessary

> Garth Allen Old North End, Burlington

U.S. Retaliation Threatens Safety

To the Editor:

Most Americans simply want to feel safe. However, there are actually two Americas. The first America: super-wealthy businessmen with one hand in the pocket of politicians, and the other up the back of the media pundits. The second America: 85% of us; relatively powerless in a system used to protect CEO profits at all cost.

Remember, this is the same President Bush who, prior to Sept. 11, was attempting to push through a right-wing agenda out of sync with the majority of Americans' beliefs. His interests weren't 'national' then, and they aren't 'national' now-they are 'corporate.'

The U.S. is no sleeping giant. For at least the past fifty years, the government has been a bloodthirsty giant, striding viciously across the planet, in search of global market-hegemony and "black gold"; cases in point: Philippines (1948), Iran (1953),

Vietnam (1960), Indonesia (1965), Chile (1973), Lebanon (1982), Iraq (1990), Bosnia (1993), Yugoslavia (1999), and many more. The Bush Administration will squeeze as much oil out of this travesty as they can. They will station as many troops across the Middle East as they can.

They will gag us with the American flag, silence dissent ("enduring freedom"!?) We must not sit astride this angry giant as it marches to its own destruction.

If you go around the world stepping on people's necks, someone is bound to bite your toe. You can either 'end' the biter and step down harder on the next person... or stop the repression. If we choose the former, someone will eventually put venom in their fangs before they bite. We must organize and stop the giant before it is too late.

Students and Faculty for Peace and Global Justice meets every Thursday @ 7pm in Lafayette 111.

> Keith Rosenthal Class of 2003

UVM Should Stop Funding Pep Rallies

To the Editor:

Here we go again, inviting the wrong speakers to campus. I am referring to Howard Zinn, in case you missed his socialist propaganda on Sunday Oct. 21. Shame on UVM's administrators for funding pep rallies in the Ira Allen Chapel. UVM may as well change its educational mission to something like: "Here, we will not allow you to understand both sides of an issue and think for yourselves."

Why at such a "prestigious" University do we fail to address the other side of peace—WAR? This campus is beginning to resemble Nazi Germany. Not to mention, the time has come for the students and faculty to get over the Vietnam Syndrome of anti-war rhetoric. This current war parallels with Pearl Harbor, not Vietnam.

If all you wealthy protesters around campus think you are going to be the catalyst for national movements, take a good look outside of Burlington. There is a reason that only 7 percent of the population agrees with you.

So, to the students, get your

facts straight and open your minds to other points of view. And to the UVM administrators, I implore you to fix this problem immediate-

Even if some people believe that UVM can afford to be the liberal exception considering it is unlikely to be affected by terrorism, this is no excuse for administrators to foster this ignorance. The sad reality stands that there are thousands of American families suffering losses, and will not be satisfied with the "do nothing" attitude. It's time you wake up and smell the burning rubble.

Finally, if you are not convinced that our University is failing to fulfill its educational mission, then realize that you can buy a one-way ticket to Sweden or Switzerland with Howard Zinn and the rest of his socialist entourage.

Upon arrival, don't forget to thank our statesmen for funding NATO, which will protect you from Islamic Fundamentalists when they decide you are next.

> Eric Chartan Class of 2002

Certain Peace Activists Are Hypocrites



Jon Kantor

Organization is a pseudointellectual cult of parasite activists. According to

International

Socialist

one former Cynic Columnist member, "[the

ISO] is a completely self-serving, insulated clique, with many 'leaders' who border on tyranni-

As an example, this former member told of being forced to subject himself to a humiliating public self-criticism because he didn't sell enough copies of the "Socialist Worker."

They are similar to the Hare Krishna cult in some respectsthose bald fellows with the robes that used to hand out 'literature' in airports. Instead of airports, the ISO peddles their trash in front of the Bailey-Howe Library.

Their David Koresh, Ashley Smith, receives the 'message' from their headquarters in

In some respects, ISO members are similar to those in the Hare Krishna cult-those bald fellows with the robes that used to hand out 'literature' in airports.

Chicago, who in turn brainwashes his followers.

To gain visibility and credibility, they attempt to infiltrate legitimate peace-activist groups. The Students for Peace and Global Justice is a peace-activist group that has had its reputation besmirched by its relationship with the ISO.

The ISO calls for peace on one hand and advocates a violent revolution within our own country on the other. That they call themselves part of the 'peace' movement is sheer

This unholy alliance between the ISO and SFPGJ has cast a shadow on the Peace and Global

It is not my goal to break the peace movement - far from it.

The only way to legitimize the SFPGJ message though is to purge the ISO message from its midst and ISO lackeys from its organization.

Although I don't agree with their anti-war message, the fact that more moderate voices within that group are beginning to be heard is admirable.

It is necessary to balance the teach-ins. There is an untapped wealth of knowledge about for-

It is not my goal to break the peace movement. The only way to legitimize the SFPGJ message is to purge the ISO message from its midst.

eign policy within our Political Science department.

Professor Elliot is an expert on Pakistan and Professor Gause for the Middle East. Invite them so we can learn something other than radical propaganda.

Support our troops, and God Bless America.

An Open Letter to Those Who Love America

Each day, a small but vocal group of students and their 'puppeteer'' leaders, among them the paid activist/commissar Ashley Smith of the ISO, stand in front of the library to peddle their wares and argue with the morally unenlightened.

I don't feel sorry for the paid revolutionary; I feel sorry for the girl whose intelligence was insulted.

Just two weeks ago, a girl punched Smith in the face for calling her ignorant. The socialists tell us we should feel sorry for the poor, victimized commissar wounded in the line of duty. I disagree.

I don't feel sorry for the paid revolutionary, I feel sorry for the girl whose intelligence was insulted by someone who is neither a student nor a professor, yet takes it upon himself to disrupt what little sense of community this campus possesses.

Rumor has it that someone

stomped up and down on an American flag during one of these daily demonstrations.

I hope I'm mistaken, but I fear I'm not. My challenge to all those who proudly display the flag right side up and who don't get squeamish during the national anthem is this: do not take this

Do not allow the symbols of our country to be desecrated, trampled, or burned (as at Amherst).

When one of these bourgeoisie bohemians shoves a copy of the Socialist Worker in your face, give them an earful.

Communicate to them, peacefully of course, that you find their words and their antics appalling and tactless. Proudly display the flag, whether in your dorm window, on your bumper, or in front of Bailey/Howe.

Use your right to free speech just as the socialists use theirs. The socialists have the resources of a multi-national organization, with money, boot camps, and Do not allow the symbols of our country to be desecrated, trampled, burned.

standard procedures of indoctri-

I possess none of these things, only a love for my country. To any who sympathize with what I say, I urge you to do your

Get involved, speak out, and don't turn a blind eye to those who degrade this great nation of

Cynic columnist Russel Henderson os a member of the Class of 2002.

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Cats Close at Home With a Win



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Vermont captain Jason Allen lunges for the ball in the Catmounts final home game against Stony Brook on Friday. The Cats prevailed 1-0.

Farrell's Late Goal Tops Seawolves

Jamie Farrell's goal with 41 seconds left gave Vermont a 1-0 win over Stony Brook in America East men's soccer on Friday afternoon at Centennial Field.

With the late game-winner in his final home game, Farrell ended his four-year run at Centennial Field the same way he began it: triumphantly. His first career goal was an overtime tally to beat Georgia State, 2-1, in his first home game on Sep. 12, 1998.

Today's goal was the 29th in Farrell's career, tying him with Catamount Hall of Famer Peter Baldwin, Class of '68, for thirdplace on the Vermont all-time list.

The game was also the final home match for two other Vermont seniors: Brad Rawson and Jason Allen. But senior Farrell captivated. One play began with midfielder Matt Chavez gathering a Stony Brook turnover and feeding Farrell on the run. Farrell ran past a defender and fired a low drive from 18 yards that overtook Seawolves' keeper Dan Ferrin.

Ferrin kept Stony Brook alive throughout the game and finished with 10 saves. His best play was in the first half when he dove to stop Allen's penalty kick in the 39th minute. Additionally, in posting his third shutout, David Sullivan made three stops for the Catamounts who improved to 4-8-3 overall and 3-6-1 in the America East. - Sports Info

Construction Maintains Original Design of Williams Art Building

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in their origininal character. At the moment, blue tarps cover the spots where the cupolas were once

"After the scaffolding is gone, it's all a matter of getting a crane to refit the cupolas in their new jigs," Olberg said.

"It's been a major undertaking, but everything has been reworked to keep with the original character and historic value." Art Department Secretary Nadine Carpenter examined some of the problems that the construction has

"We were told that ceiling work would be done by the end of August, and there was often noise in the warmer months while classes were going on."

Yet she also spoke of the positive sentiment that professors and students feel about the project.

"It's not like they're gutting the. building and making it into something completely different," she

"I think that they've done an absolutely beautiful job in keeping the original design. We all really love this building."

The building is expected to be completed next spring.

Copyright Infringement May Shut **Down Internet Connections**

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sent to the direct computer user that has been noted for the infringement, but the language used in the notification is vague, using expressions such as "may have" and "possibly." The reason for this terminology is that CIT needs to be careful at whom they point the finger.

"One thing you don't know for certain is the person who did it. The letter has to be careful about how accusatory it is People use other people's computers, for example. There's just no definite way of knowing," says Williams.

Students who receive these letters shouldn't automatically assume they'll be fined or that their internet connection shut down. "Unless there is no response from the users or it constitutes a network performance problem, connections will not be terminated." And if the user doesn't respond? "Anything further would be between the copyright holder and violator," Williams concluded.



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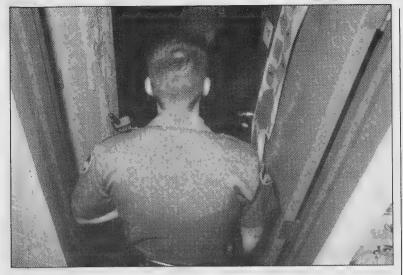
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UVM Police Officer Scott Frennier walks through a doorway into a Living/Learning suite.

Police Have Plans for Improvement

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because they define protection. More of an account needs to be taken though, with other students' needs and comfort."

Chief Gary Margolis of UVM Police Services believes progress is being made between students and UVM police.

"There will always be some one unhappy with police presence at UVM," Margolis said. "We are

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reach with police officers spend-

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taing a community among stu-

Plans for the department include

setting up a team with workshops,

presence at hall meetings, an advi-

sory council, and increased efforts

to curb computer theft and

Students who are concerned that

their privacy is being violated

should be aware of their rights as

citizens said Ben Scotch.

Executive Director of The

increase faculty-staff feedback.

-Chief Gary Margolis

UVM Police Services

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dents."

ty campus last fall.

"There is no excuse in a college community for having civil liberties be significantly different from civil liberties in the general community," Scotch said.

"There are two legal ways to get into a student's room: When a police officer has reasonable, articulable suspicion that a criminal activity is taking place or by using a search warrant based upon probable cause."

Extra Expenses Mount for Undergrads

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provide the service," said Director of the Center for Health and Wellbeing Estelle Maartmann-Moe. "There is no profit involved. We are not subsidizing anything else." Other costs include a website at the university that allows students and businesses to pay bills online using a credit card for a charge of two dollars.

"It (the charge) covers the cost of maintaing a secure website and programming costs to make it interface with the accounts receivable software," said Jill King of Student Financial Services.

Some students have also been frustrated with the University Bookstore which buys back student books at 50 percent of the new price and sells them the following year at 75 percent of the new price.

"Sometimes teachers will say, 'I want this book' and then change their mind," said University Bookstore manager Jay Menninger. "We end up paying for the books that we have bought back."

Parke Named New Vice Provost

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tion and strategic planning

"Since Lauke joined the university in 1977," Bramley said, "he has accumulated a wealth of knowledge, an extensive institutional memory and widespread respect across the campus as an innovative force for change in higher education.

"I expect that he will be an important addition to the administrative team that President Colodny and I have assembled over the past several months."

Since joining the university, Parke has gained the reputation as a tireless student advocate, winning numerous teaching awards, including both the George V. Kidder Alumni Award for Teaching Excellence and the uniOutstanding Professor Award. Most recently, serving with Professor Shirley Gedeon as codirector of the Center for Teaching and Learning, he has focused his attention on faculty development

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-Provost John Bramley

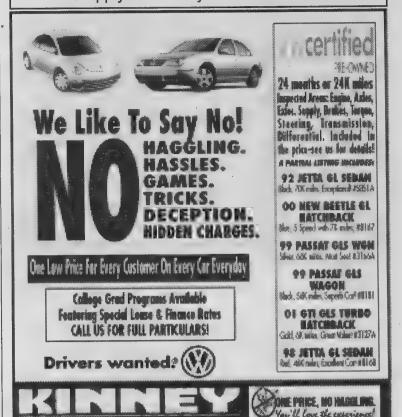
by assisting his colleagues in enhancing the quality of the class= room experience.

Parke will begin his administrative responsibilities half-time on Nov. 1 and join the administration full time in mid-December.

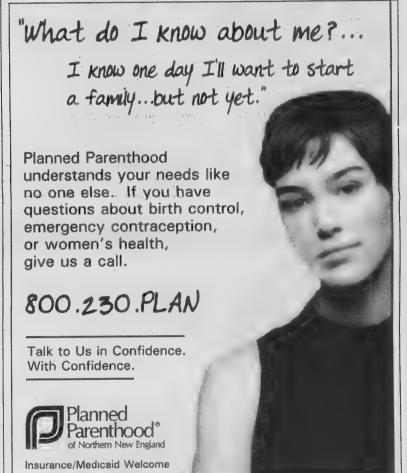
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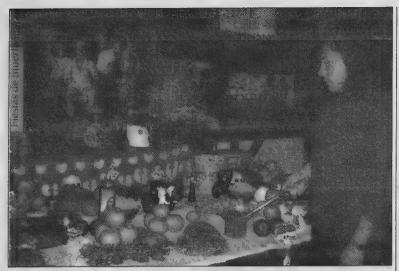


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EL DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

Sorrel Namaste/VC Staff
Professor Irma Valeriano tends to the altar set up on the fourth floor of
Waterman for the El Dia de los Muertos celebration last Thursday.

From Buddhism to Hobbits: New Books by UVM Authors

Buddhism, Russian film, animal endurance and the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy are among the topics of recently published books written or edited by faculty members at the University of Vermont.

New titles by UVM authors include:

"Buddhism: The Illustrated Guide," by Kevin Trainor, associate professor of religion, Oxford University Press. A volume that provides general readers with an introduction, overviews and recent scholarship about this still vital religion.

"Racing the Antelope: What Animals Can Teach Us About Running and Life," by Bernd Heinrich, professor of biology, Cliff Street Books. At the age of 41, Heinrich set a record of 6:38:21 for the North American 100-kilometer race.

"Repentance: The Film Companion," co-authored by

From gender issues to Buddhism, there is a wide arrange of new works written or edited by faculty of the University of Vermont.

Denise J. Youngblood, professor and chair of history, I. B. Tauris. An analysis of the production, context and place in world cinema of Tengiz Abuladze's allegorical film, "Repentance." Due to its controversial content, the movie was shelved until 1986.

"Friedrich von Hardenberg (Novalis)," by Dennis Mahoney, professor of German, Stuttgart: Metzler Verlag. The life and works of Friedrich von Hardenberg (1772-1801), the German Romantic poet and philosopher who wrote under the pseudonym of Novalis.

"The Academic Study of Religion During the Cold War: East and West," co-edited by Luther H. Martin, professor of religion, Peter Lang Press. Contributors include William Paden and Weigang Chen, professor and assistant professor of religion, respectively.

"Putting Women in Place: Feminist Geographers Make Sense of the World," co-authored by Joni Seager, professor and chair of geography, Guilford. Gender is the lens providing a new perspective on the geography of "maleness" and "femaleness" across cultural and historical borders

"Student Companion to Edgar Allan Poe," by Tony Magistrale, professor of English, Greenwood Press. Investigates Poe's legacy, from his era to ours.

"Many Sides: Debate Across the Curriculum," by Alfred Snider, Lawrence professor of forensics, and Maxwell Schnurer of the International Debate Education Association.

"Tearing the Social Fabric: N e o l i b e r a l i s m , Deindustrialization, and the Crisis of Governance in Zimbabwe," by Padraig Carmody, assistant professor of geography, Heinemann.

"From the Paterson Station: The Way We Were," by Douglas Kinnard; professor emeritus of political science, Xlibris Corporation. Kinnard's memoir chronicles his life through World War II, when he served in Europe as an artillery lieutenant in one of Patton's divisions.

"Hobbits, Elves and Wizards: The Wonders and Worlds of J. R. R. Tolkien's 'Lord of the Rings,'" by Michael N. Stanton, associate professor of English (retired), St. Martin's Press. Stanton, an expert on fantasy literature and science fiction, taught Tolkien's epic at UVM for 25 years.

"Preventing Problem Behaviors: A Handbook of Successful Prevention Strategies," edited by Pam Kay, research associate in education, and Bob Algozzine, Corwin Press.

"Diabetes and Heart Disease," edited by Dr. Burton Sobel, professor and chair of medicine, and Dr. David Schneider, assistant professor of medicine, Marcel Dekker, Inc.

Also new by Sobel: "Challenges in Acute Coronary Syndromes," Blackwell Science publishers.

"Medical Management of Kidney and Electrolyte Disorders," edited by Dr. F. John Gennari, professor of medicine, Marcel Dekker, Inc.

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The One As Good As The Matrix?

By WILLIAM TICKNER Special to The Cynic

The movie *The One*, starring Jet Li, has recently come out in theaters. I thought it would be worth my while to take some time out to see it.

I must admit that I entered the movie with high hopes because my favorite movie of all time is *The Matrix* and this movie looked as if it would be just as action-packed.

After watching the trailer for this flick (where Jet Li uses a motorcycle

The only thing separating this movie from The Highlander is that heads aren't rolling and it takes place in a few hundred more universes.

like a club to slam some poor guy) I thought it might be worth my \$5.75 and then some.

The plot of *The One* centers around two men who are actually the same person but from different parallel universes.

Their name is Gabriel Yulaw but one is craftily referred to as "Gabe" while the other is called "Yulaw" (this is a

testament to the creativity of this film).

Yulaw has traveled to 123 other parallel universes and has killed all his other identical twins, sucking up their "life waves" and becoming stronger and faster because of it.

Gabe is the last one left standing in the way of Yulaw's quest to become a god.

The only thing separating this movie from the *The Highlander* is that heads aren't rolling and it takes place in a few hundred more universes (oh yeah, and it's nowhere near as good, either).

They also rip off *The Matrix* quite badly, only in this movie you can clearly tell that they are trying to fight in slow motion.

Frankly, I expected a little bit more from Jet Li.

While the plot is interesting, it certainly isn't mind-blowing like that of *The Matrix*.

I will say that the movie is entertaining, but so is watching two 4-yearolds pretending to be ninja's using twigs as swords... that's just my opinion.

Do what you will, but I'd rather rent *Highlander* and *Matrix* and get two original movies for the price of *The One*.

Painted Lady

Andy Duback/VC Staff Casey Selzer, a Studio Art major, stands by a recent work.



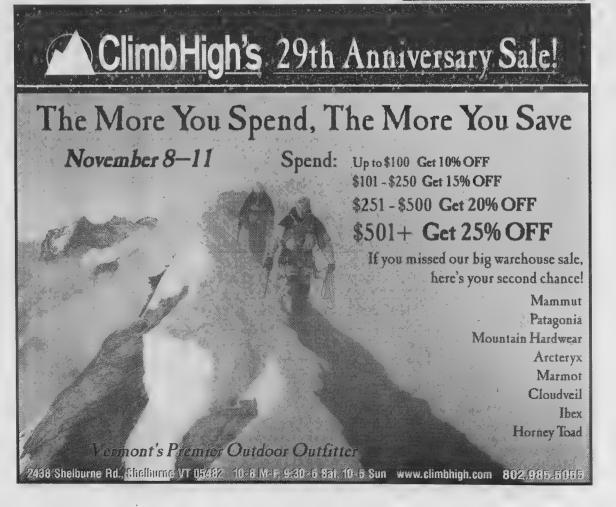
UVM Lane Series to Present All-Bach Concert on Nov. 9

On Friday, Nov. 9 at 7:30 p.m., the UVM Lane Series will present a concert entitled "Sacred Music of the Baroque" at the UVM Recital Hall. Featured will be the Boston-based ensemble Sarasa, who will be joined the the internatinally acclaimed baritone Sanford Sylvan and the gifted harpsichordist Maggie Cole.

The program will consist of the works of J.S. Bach including the Harpsichord Concerto in F minor, the Sinfonia from Cantata 21, and the heart-wrenching Cantata BWV 82, "Ich habe genug," which will be sung by Sanford Sylvan. Sylvan last performed in the Lane Series several years ago

when he sung Schubert's Winterreise song cycle to great acclaim. Well-known for his operatic roles such as Mao in John Adam's *Nixon in China*, he is a major presence on the world stage and has been called "the great American Baritone" by the San Fransisco Chronicle.

Tickets for Sarasa with Sanford Sylvan and Maggie Cole's performance of "Sacred Music of the Baroque" are \$18 and are available by calling the UVM Lane Series at (802) 656-4455, the Campus Ticket store at (802) 656-3085, or 86-FLYNN. Tickets can also be ordered securely on the web at www.uvm.edu/laneseries/.



Catamount Sports

Men's and Women's Basketball Seasons Opens This Week

Looking for an Invite



Ben Dickie

let Vermont weather fool you; it is November, w h i c'h means that it's time for some college hoops. While many

Sports Columnist teams across the country get primed for the season by taking part in Midnight Madness, UVM instead decided to sleep in a little. The first day that teams could officially take the court for

their first practice, the UVM men's team got things kicked off at ten in the morning in front of a raucous crowd of five people. Not a lot of hype for a team that has never made a NCAA or NIT appearance in their first 101 years of play.

Coach Tom Brennan greeted his troops and one of the first things out of his mouth was, "I expect you guys to be a championship team in this league." You think to yourself, that is just one of those lines straight out of the coaching hand book that you are required to say every year, whether you believe it or not. But you know what? I don't think he could have said it any better.

Coming off of a 12-17 record from last season and losing one of Vermont's all-time greats in Tony Orciari, the preseason magazines have Vermont rated no lower than fourth in the league. Both Street & Smiths and the Sporting News pick them to finish third, while Lindy's has them penciled in for second place.

Yes, these are preseason magazines and if predictions were always correct then you never would have heard of Las Vegas. The point is if there were a year

Don't for the Cats to strike, this is it. The America East Conference has shuffled its lineup around a little bit, watching Delaware, Drexel, Hofstra and Towson depart to the Colonial Athletic Association. Taking their places are Albany, Binghamton and Stony Brook.

The four teams to leave have been a thorn in the paw of the Catamounts and the rest of the league for some time now, as they have combined to win nine out of the last ten league championships and with that have secured automatic berths into the NCAA tournament. Last year, Vermont was a combined 1-8 against the fleesome foursome, to go with a 28-45 all-time.

It is time for someone new to step up and take charge of the

The point is if there was a year for the Cats to strike, this is it.

America East, and the front-runners, to go along with Vermont, look to be Maine and Boston University. Maine took a big blow just recently though, as allleague guard Huggy Dye was kicked off the team.

Coach Brennan thought that the team looked great from March until now, but that won't mean anything if the Cats can't back it up on the floor. Vermont suits up for the first time this season in a home exhibition game today, Nov. 6, against the USDBL All-Stars, and then again against cross-town foe St. Mike's on the 8th, before they kick off their regular season.

There may not have been a lot of hype to kick off the season, but if the Cats can take advantage of the opportunity in front of them, all those that missed midmorning madness can maybe makeup for it by taking part in March Madness.

Brennan Optimistic About Season

By LISA OBRENTZ

Coach Tom Brennan of the Men's Basketball team is a wellknown and established figure not only in the world of UVM sports, but also in the Burlington com-

Men's Basketball

munity. With his sense of humor and sense of integrity, he is respected by his players and by listeners of his morning radioshow. His goal for this season is clear: "I want Vermont to be good, I want Vermont to win their first championship, and I want to be a part of that."

The exceptional role that Brennan plays for his team is reflected in the views that the Cats have of him. Co-captain Corry McLaughlin stressed that Brennan has become more immersed in the team, on and off the court, during practices and games: "Coach has become more involved in the practices, and that's good to see. He is getting out on the floor during practice, not just during the games."

Brennan's presence is motivating for all players, including Germain Njila, the first African hoopster in UVM Men's basketball history. "Coach is always smiling and he has a really positive attitude," he said. Njila is one of four freshmen who make up a class described by Brennan as



University Photography Basketball coach Tom Men's Brennan.

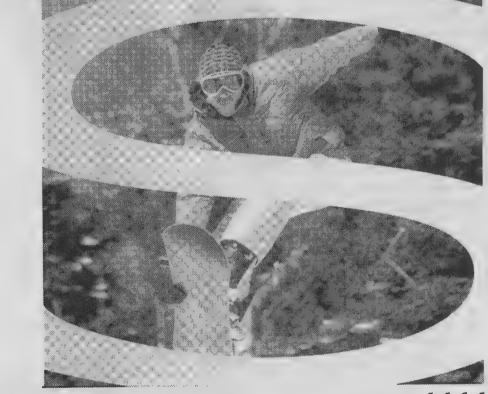
having "more energy and more desire than any we've had recently." They complete a group that holds high expectations, and is focused and confident, according to Co-captain Trevor Gaines. Coach added that the Cats "have good senior leadership," headed

by Gaines and McLaughlin. In addition, returning Rookie of the Year T.J. Sorrentine will be one to look out for this season.

The Cats are a "random sampling of the student body, and I really believe in my heart that that's what it should be, and I'm very proud of that," said Brennan. He is as dedicated to his team as the team is to him: "I'm not chasing the gold ring anymore, I'm trying to grow old gracefully, and they're helping me do it, because they're wonderful young men." The relationship between Coach and his players, inspiring and unique, is one of respect and esteem.

newly remodeled The America East League is a pleasing prospect to all. "Our league is a little different and this is our chance to take advantage," said Gaines. Brennan then added, "Albany, Binghamton, Stony Brook will get good very fast, but I think we'll have a little leg up on them, especially for the first couple years."

Catch the Cats in action this week with two exhibition home games: Tuesday, Nov. 6 against the USDBL All-Stars and Thursday, Nov. 8 against local rivals Saint Michael's.



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Think Twice Before Compromising Sleep



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A Vermont student takes a nap on a bench on the Waterman green.

Experts Recommend Students Find Time to Rest

By KRISTIN DOBBS

It causes 100,000 auto accidents a year.

Fifty-five percent of all cases involve drivers under the age of 25, with 78 percent of the drivers being men.

It's not drunk driving; it's drowsy driving.

Statistics show that it is just a small part in the overall trend that American adults, especially college students, are sleep-deprived.

Experts recommend that the average adult receive an average eight hours of sleep a night.

Recent polls from the National Sleep Foundation (NSF) show that one third of adults receive less than six and halfhours of sleep a night.

"When we are sleep deprived," said Dot Brauer,

'When we lose one night's sleep, it affects our reaction time, dexterity and judgment.

-Dot Brauer GLBTG and Question and Ally Services Coordinator

GLBTG and Question and Ally Services Coordinator, who has done extensive research on sleep related issues, "we can come to the point when we literally lose perspective for basic safety

Pulling all-nighters is considered to be seriously detrimental.

"When we lose one night's sleep, it affects our reaction time, dexterity and judgment," said

"We function at a level equal

to being legally intoxicated."

According to Brauer, dreaming is an essential part of learning.

"Many students don't realize dreams are memory reinforcement," she said.

"It is beneficial to sleep on information; we are reinforcing neuro-pathways."

Some students are aware of the benefits of sleeping the night

"[Sleep is needed] for shortterm retention, because the speed of your thinking decreases by being tired," said Brauer.

"The best thing is to be studying all along, if you want to pull that information up."

"On essay tests, creativity and reflexes are just smashed by loss of sleep."

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Parking Still a Problem for **University Students**

By KATHRYN ASELTINE

A total of 27,558 parking citations were issued last year according to UVM Parking and Transportation Services statistics, equating to over 900,000 dollars in fines. Approximately 250,000 dollars were collected.

Parking citations have consistently been a financial burden for University students. Those found parking without a permit face a fine of 80 dollars which frequently comes out of their own pockets.

"I'm not going to tell my parents that I have an astronomical amount of money to pay just because of parking tickets," said junior Amy Goodman.

"Our primary goal is to try our best to provide people with adequate parking," said John Casey, head of UVM Parking and Transportation Services. "At the same time enforcement through parking citations prevents a free for all."

Enforcement of parking violations and collection of fines allows UVM Parking and Transportation Services to be a self-sustaining institution.

"We don't go to the general fund or trustees for money," Casey said. "We have to pay for our expenses i.e., wages, equipment, utilities, with revenue from permit sales, visitor parking fees, and

'Our primary goal is to try our best to provide people with adequate parking.'

-John Casey

Director, UVM Parking and Transportation Services

The lack of parking on campus has created serious problems for some students.

"I believe that there should be more parking for students who live off campus," said junior Andy Drown.

"In the winter, when it's cold, I skip class because there are no parking spots," he said.

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Varied Art

Andy Duback/VC Staff

The Gallery at the Living/Learning Center features local and international artists. See page 6 for full story.

DeWitt Named New Dean of Business School

has named Rocki-Lee DeWitt dean of the School of Business Administration. DeWitt had been associate dean for Professional Master's Program and associate professor of management at Pennsylvania State University's Smeal College of Business Administration.

"I'm very excited about Rocki-Lee joining UVM," said John Bramley, UVM interim provost. "She's established a national reputation at Penn State for curriculum reform and development, a student centered approach and incorporating the business community into her educational program. She's a very good fit for our needs and a great addition to our academic leadership team."

"My goal is to make UVM among others.

The University of Vermont the best small business school in the country," DeWitt said. "All the ingredients are here - a talented faculty, a vibrant business community, accomplished alumni and motivated students, all of whom want to engage with one another.

"Given the small scale of the school, we have the opportunity to create a truly personal - and truly unique - learning experience for our students."

DeWitt is noted for her success in building Penn State's MBA program into one of the country's best and for her emphasis on partnering with the business community to achieve her educational goals. While at Penn State, DeWitt formed partnerships with IBM, Ford Motor Co., Hewlett Packard, Wells Fargo and Intel,

DeWitt has a special interest in community-based businesses, those companies that may compete in national or international markets but "bring the resources of the community to bear on a business problem."

'She'll be a great boon not only to UVM but also to the economic development of the state of Vermont.'

> -John Bramley **UVM Interim Provost**

"She'll be a great boon not only to UVM but also to the economic development of the state of Vermont," Bramley said.

DeWitt is set to begin work at UVM on Jan. 1, 2002.

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LDU to Present Debate on Terrorism

UVM's Lawrence Debate Union is scheduled to hold a public debate on the war on terrorism tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Marsh Life Science room 235. All are welcome to attend, and audience participation is encouraged.

Presenters include Jillian Marty, Charlie Hoag, Aaron Fishbone and Vilasa Campbell. One team will be arguing yes to the question, "Can we wage the war on terrorism?" and the other team will argue a no position. Adam Gana will moderate the

According to the website, LDU "had faculty debaters drop out because the issue is 'too hot,' but we will go ahead."

Charlie Hoag, one of the presenters, said "the issues raised in this debate continue to shape our lives everyday, despite a strong desire to continue 'business as

The LDU also said that although terrorism was a very sen-

'We had faculty members drop out because the issue was 'too hot' but we will go ahead.'

-Lawrence Debate Union

sitive subject, "we will continue to debate this issue."

After spending the weekend competing in Oklahoma, the debaters returned to UVM on

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Despite Pressures, Don't Forget to Sleep

During this stressful time late in the semester, sleep is the furthest thing from some students' minds.

But it shouldn't be. Sleep is necessary to be able to recall and retain all of the information learned in class throughout the semester.

A lack of sleep causes the brain to slow down when it comes to remembering vital information on timed tests and essays.

Sleep is essential during the winter, when the body's immune system is already working hard to ward off the flu and winter colds.

The body's immune system can be fully replenished when asleep.

At the wheel, sleep is crucial. The ability to stay awake on icy roads and in holiday traffic is essential for keeping everyone on the road safe.

Just as not enough sleep can be a bad thing, too much sleep can be equally detrimental.

With the winter months and darkness ahead, it can be easy to just spend a lot of time in bed.

While you should not overlook signs of sleepiness, you should also try to resist the desire to hide from the world and sleep the day away.

It is very important not to overlook signs that you may be sleeping too much.

This can be a sign of sickness, depression, or Seasonal Affective Disorder, otherwise known as SAD. All of these disorders are serious, and should not be ignored.

It is not healthy to spend too much time sleeping, avoiding work and social activities. Spending serious amounts of time asleep is not normal.

During the winter months, it is important to stay healthy. Getting the right amount of sleep is a vital element of good health.

So, try to resist the pull of all-nighters spent conversing with friends, writing papers or studying bleary-eyed for a pending exam.

Getting the proper amount of sleep may be key to success this winter. It will allow you to concentrate, perform well and stay healthy and happy.

Happy Thanksgiving—Vegan or Not

It's time to prepare for Thanksgiving dinner once again. Get ready for a little family togetherness, a little football, and a lot of turkey...

Wait! Hold on a minute!

What about all of those vegetarians out there? And, even worse, what about vegans? They're all over UVM. What are they supposed to do at Thanksgiving?

Sit around while members of their extended family—their loved ones—celebrate European triumphs in the New World by slaughtering (albeit indirectly) and devouring a poor innocent bird?

Well, there's always Tofurkey, the everpopular ersatz turkey molded out of soy protein

It doesn't really attempt to subvert the symbolism of Thanksgiving if that's what you're looking for, but it's a thought.

But be prepared. If you do decide to follow this route, you'll have to face an endless barage of questions and accusations ranging from concerns about your iron intake to your inability to recognize your rightful place on the food chain.

Even worse, you'll have to come up with

suitable answers to questions from confused relatives such as: "Wait, turkey is not a meat. It's a bird. Why on earth won't you eat a bird?"

Before you can reply, your grandmother might offer to make you a ham sandwich; after all, "It's just a cold cut." (Okay, I might be projecting here.)

After about an hour of this, when the carcass has been devoured and you've finally finished your beans and squash, you realize that it's almost time for dessert.

You've almost made it through! The plates are cleared, and it's time for the pumpkin pie.

Oh wait, you realize, that's probably not vegan either...

Oh well, you'll just have to sit back and enjoy your family and friends or, better yet, eat the leftover Tofurkey. There's sure to be some.

Editor's Note: As you may have gathered, not all of our editors are vegetarian, and, therefore, have not all had this experience. Our Opinions/Editorials Editor is the only vegan, so direct all criticism to her.

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Respect Rights to Speech and Privacy

To the Editor:

I read the Nov. 6 issue with interest—especially the letters and the article on the police in the dorms.

Let me address the former first: as usual, the right wing letter/opinion writers made analogies that make sense only to themselves (the ISO is a cult, etc.) and repeated rumors (an American flag was stomped on at an antiwar demo-a lie) in order to get their anger-driven calls for more war across.

Oh yeah, there was another writer who called on the University to stop funding pep rallies for socialists-this was in reference to Howard Zinn's recent appearance. My response to this suggestion is this: if UVM were to stop allowing leftist speakers on campus, wouldn't a fair trade mean cutting all connections with the ROTC and terminating investments in the war industry?

Or maybe not allowing representa-

tives of the State Department, Zionist organizations, the Democratic and Republican parties and other war supporters on campus as well?

I personally oppose any restrictions on public discourse and welcome opinions from all political stripes.

As for the police: while these folks serve a useful purpose on campus, I find it impossible to support their continual presence in the dorms. Indeed, I find it offensive. If I were a college student living in the dormitories where a police officer could enter my room at any time, I would be pretty annoyed.

I mean, whatever happened to the Bill of Rights? Don't these ten articles apply to college students anymore? Students who don't live on campus don't have police officers in their houses. Why should students living on campus be treated any differently?

Ron Jacobs Bailey/Howe Library

What Is So Threatening About the ISO?

To the Editor:

I must begin by asking a simple question to all those who feel so threatened by the presence of the open and democratic International Socialist Organization: Why?

What is so damning about the organization that one must expend so much energy against the group whose main goal is to help create a just world for its citizens?

The authors of several letters point

out meaningless examples that have no evidence behind them, or take valid points out of context and try to twist them for their own purposes.

Therefore, to all who slander and misunderstand the groundwork of the ISO, I encourage you to come to one of our meetings every Wednesday in Lafayette 311 at 7:30 p.m.

Another World is Possible.

Kathleen Brown Class of 2002

Criticize All You Want, But Don't Blame U.S.

To the Editor:

It is not only insulting, but without any semblance of reason to pontificate that American foreign policy was the reason for the attacks of Sept. 11.

To take the prototypical UVM view, we would assume that these attacks were the fault of American intervention in the Middle East—we obviously angered the Islamo-fascists through our imperialism and these attacks were a blessing in disguise. Follow the historical model that you are suggesting—on the way we could ask the Ukrainian farmers what they did wrong to anger Stalin. Then we could ask the Jews what they did to anger Hitler.

It is in the American spirit to disagree with American policy. But do not insinuate that these attacks were our fault. It is only in Vermont, the playground for rejected leftist ideas, where these ideas have taken hold.

You must make rational distinctions. Realize that your thoughts on such controversial topics as free speech and women's suffrage would imprison you in the thriving, peace-loving cities of Kabul, Baghdad, and Damascus.

Replace your warped rationales and realize that the U.S. is a beacon of liberal democracy throughout the world.

Criticize all you want, but do not blame America for the attacks. It would also behoove you to read up on the failed appeasement in the 1930's of the European Fascists.

It may be gauche and chauvinistic, but it is accurate in this particular instance: we are right, we are better, and we will win.

Chris Krueger Class of 2002



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Alternative Views Are Essential

To the Editor:

In an effort to stop the muck-raking and misinformation campaign being waged by the authors of some recent contributions to the Cynic, I am responding to Eric Chartan's letter entitled "UVM Should Stop Funding Pep Rallies." I feel that it is important to clarify a few mistakes in his letter regarding the event at which Howard Zinn spoke.

The event was organized, sponsored, and funded by Students for Peace and Global Justice, the Vermont Mobilization for Global Justice, SPARC, and the ISO. These groups receive no funding from UVM's administration, which Mr. Chartan mistakenly identified as the funding body behind the event.

Chartan also suggests that the school should adopt a new mission statement saying: "Here we will not allow you to understand both sides of an issue and think for yourselves." Contrary to his statement, as the alternative speakers' bureau on campus, we work very hard to give an alterna-

tive viewpoint to the supposed unanimously supported views pushed by our government and corporate-owned media.

Chartan went too far when he finally suggested that "This campus is beginning to resemble Nazi Germany." Where on earth does a comment like this come from? Just because some people do not support our government as it bombs a devastated country into oblivion, knowing that its actions will contribute to the genocide of over seven million starving Afghans?

Indeed, the only thing resembling Nazi Germany on this campus is the attempts of certain individuals and groups to stifle anyone whose opinion does not match their own.

Perhaps next time Mr. Chartan should check his sources a bit more carefully before jumping on the bandwagon of blind patriotism, and investigate why the propagandist mass media always fails to include alternate voices.

> Dan Goosen Class of 2002

Media Should Have Covered Bush's Speech



Peter J. Morrison Cynic Columnist

address to the nation.

Many of you may have missed it because three of the four major broadcast networks failed to carry it, but Thursday

p.m., President Bush delivered an important and powerful

I want to commend ABC and its news division for being responsible and airing the President's address, while CBS, NBC, and FOX decided to air "Survivor," "Friends," and "The Family Guy."

I find it disturbing and irresponsible for networks to ignore a Presidential address to the nation, particularly when some areas of the country, including in this state, do not have cable

television and only can get CBS affiliate WCAX over their antennas.

The irresponsibility of these networks, who go live to the trial of an ex-football player for months at a time, but who fail to carry a Presidential address, is alarming.

'Ours is the cause of freedom. We've defeated freedom's enemies before, and we will defeat them again. ... our ultimate victory is assured.'

-President George W. Bush

If it was Bill Clinton giving an address, I am sure that all the networks would have had coverage and analysis afterwards.

What did three of the major networks miss out on?

Bush addressed the public, saying, "Our nation faces a threat to

our freedoms, and the stakes could not be higher.

"We are the targets of enemies who boast they want to kill: kill all Americans, kill all Jews, and kill all Christians.

"We've seen that type of hate before and the only possible response is to confront it and to defeat it."

In a stirring call to arms for all Americans, President Bush ended his speech with this, "Ours is the cause of freedom. We've defeated freedom's enemies before, and we will defeat them again.

"We cannot know every turn this battle will take, yet we know our cause is just and our ultimate victory is assured. We will no doubt face new challenges, but we have our marching orders. My fellow Americans, let's roll."

Columnists Slander Socialists

To the Editor:

Reading through the columns in the Cynic, it appears that a specter is haunting the UVM campus. This phantom menace, the International Socialist Organization, preys on students' idealistic minds, and brainwashes them into fighting for-workers' rights and social justice (gasp)!!

Say it isn't so! But wait; it gets worse. Rumor has it they are also against the current "war on terrorism," and they even sell newspapers with headlines like "Stop the Bombing!" What can we do?

Maybe we can pick out a couple leading members of the group and make trashy, hollow criticisms of them? Maybe we can try to alienate them from other social justice groups on campus--it worked for McCarthy, right? Maybe we can brand them a "cult" and get pictures of them worshipping little Karl Marx dolls? No matter what we choose to do, we must not make valid criticisms of Marx's theory of capitalism. We must not address the content of their arguments. We should avoid facts and rational discourse at all costs—personality smearing works much better.

The fate of the world depends on us. Go out there and continue to ignore them when they raise the old adage:

"First they attacked the Black Panthers, but I did nothing. Then they attacked the communists, but I did nothing. Then they attacked the peace activists, but I did nothing. Then they attacked me, but it was too late."

Keith Rosenthal Class of 2003

The Harsh Light of Reality



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

Activist organizations at the University of Vermont have hosted teach-in after teach-in. The purpose of these teach-ins is not to educate, but to indoctrinate.

A couple weeks ago it was Howard Zinn. Then it was Rashmi Varma, an English professor imported from UNC.

On Dec. 1, we can hear the same message again from one of our own: International Socialist English Professor Helen Scott.

A couple of weeks ago we heard

from International Socialist English Professor Nancy Welch in the Cynic: same message.

How does the ISO cult infest English departments nationwide? Perhaps these professors would be best off going on sabbatical to Ground Zero.

Perhaps they should pass up an opportunity to read the stories of women in the Caribbean and look instead at the stories of the heroic men and women of FDNY.

Many believe that the US is a paper tiger. This miscalculation will cost Al Queda their lives.

Perhaps that dose of reality outside the shadow of the Ivory Tower might help them lose their self-righteousness and gain some relevance.

Regarding the war: We underreacted when terrorists attacked the Khobar Towers, the USS Cole, our marine barracks in Beirut, and our embassies. Now we know that cruise missile justice is inadequate. Overwhelming conventional force is necessary. The only way to have a successful ground campaign is if the air campaign reduces to an acceptable level the threats on the ground. The bombing must continue until that acceptable level is reached.

If the enemy resorts to nuclear, biological, or chemical weapons—well, there are a number of reasons why nobody has ever used those against us. Those reasons are buried in cylindrical silos under cornfields in the mid-west and are floating under the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans in our submarines.

Many believe that the US is a paper tiger. This miscalculation will cost Al Qaeda their lives. Support our troops, and God Bless America.

War May Be Best Course of Action

To the Editor:

One of the goals of colleges and universities is to produce good thinkers: citizens who are capable of seeking out the facts with an open mind, analyzing them thoroughly, and reaching a sensible conclusion.

What I see in the "peace movement" on campus in many ways opposes this. They automatically view every situation with a mind closed to violence as a means of achieving justice and lasting peace. I agree with their sentiment that war is a terrible thing. However, I have not closed my mind to the possibility that war may be our best course of action.

Allied inaction before the Second World War led to the senseless slaughter of six million Jews in Nazi death camps. The only way to stop Hitler was to destroy him. If only we had done so earlier, think of the lives that would have been saved. WWII

could never have been won by blind pacifism. Does this mean I love war? Does it mean I enjoy seeing people die? Of course not. This educational establishment

is very anti-war. Instead of celebrating a true diversity of political views, UVM has silenced some of them. I saw some pro-war slogans scrawled in chalk around the University Bookstore and Lafayette as I walked to class Friday morning. By noon, all the pro-war scrawling had been removed, but the peace signs that had adorned the bookstore for weeks remained.

I guess it is freedom of speech, but only for some. I am sure that my opinion expressed here will bring criticism down on my head. I will be branded a warmonger and a bigot by some for the views expressed here. Remember, just because I don't share your views doesn't mean I am closed-minded.

Guillaume McDowell
Class of 2004

Think About It: Who Do You Stand Behind?

In the beginning of the year, I e-mailed Keith Rosenthal with the intention of learning more about socialism. I met him, read the literature, and decided it wasn't for me. I'm a liberal, but what was said was too extreme for my moderate beliefs.

'Unjust campaign'? Who said this? An ISO protester? No, it was bin Laden.

Now, I'm still a moderate, but the ISO is even more extremist. The day of the attacks, the ISO was bad-mouthing our wounded country and preparing their antiwar efforts. Rosenthal said America's toe was bitten on Sept. 11; I didn't see a hurt toe, I saw dead Americans.

The anti-war movement is stronger because the majority of students support the war but are not vocal in their beliefs. Occasionally there is a proud moment, like when American flags were put up outside Bailey/Howe. But the next day

they were torn down, and in their place were more "Stop this senseless war" fliers.

What is senseless? Defending terror? Speaking against our justified actions? Calling the majority of Americans racist for supporting the war? Trying to use tragedy as a means to gain new weak-minded members?

I read a quote today that made me think: "...When the United States launched the unjust campaign against... Afghanistan, people also split into two parties. The first supported these campaigns, while the second denounced and rejected them."

"Unjust campaign"? Was it an ISO protester? It could be—it's what we've heard on Church Street and read on the fliers that are obscenely posted all around campus. Who said it? The quote came not from America, but the Nov. 3 video from bin Laden.

Another quote from Osama parallels the sentiment of the anti-war minority here in the United States:

"Those who were happy about striking the United States felt sad when Afghanistan was hit, and those who felt sad when the United States was hit were happy when Afghanistan was hit."

Think about it. Do you support America, or the terrorists? Who do you stand behind?

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ISO Members, Not the Masses, Are Blind Sheep

The most disturbing letter that ran last week was the one which asserted that not only did we deserve the attacks of Sept. 11, but that we deserve more unless we change what the author sees as glaring flaws in the American way of life.

Foremost among his complaints was the assertion that 15 percent of the people control all the nation's clout while 85 percent are powerless.

This line of thinking invokes the Marxist concept of the ignorant, uneducated masses who blindly support the capitalists and their hegemonic power structure.

What many Marxists fail to realize is that nineteenth century assertions about the "proletariat" no longer apply.

It is difficult to call the working class exploited as most have high wages, benefits and a 40-hour work week.

No longer are the masses uneducated and apolitical; man tradesmen are college graduates and the unions are a courted political entity that constitutes the most powerful lobbying block in Washington.

What has the socialists most upset is a flyer circulated around campus that asserted that the activists were themselves sheeppawns of a political cult that substitutes Marx and Engels for Matthew, Mark, Luke and John and engages in tactics eerily similar to cults like the Branch Davidians.

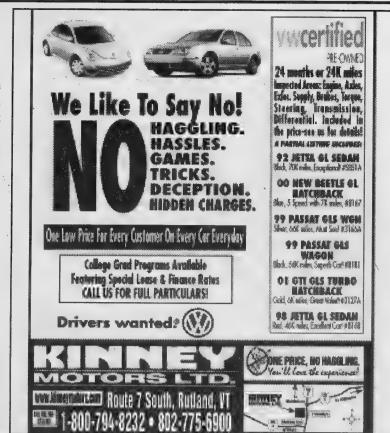
Not surprisingly, all but a lone poster to that effect disappeared by

the next day.

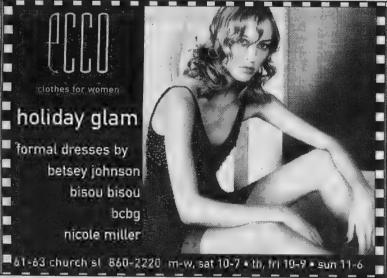
The characterization of the masses as pliable and ignorant is far more applicable to a group that pays monthly dues and is responsible for selling the Socialist Worker; a group with a centralized power structure that employs professional agitators; a group that preys on the typical cult target—college kids; a group that holds an annual indoctrination summer camp.

And while fears of a Jonestown seem farfetched, I'd maintain that the prospect of a violent overthrow of the American government, which the ISO advocates, is no less frightening.

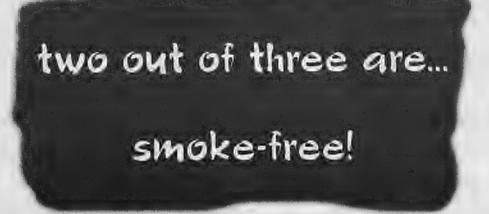
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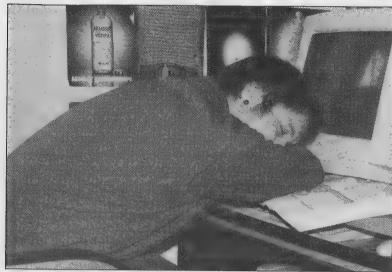
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Students Attempt to Catch Up on Lost Sleep



Andy Duback/VC Staff

An undergraduate takes a break while studying.

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An important recent finding in the study of sleep is the concept of "sleep debt." According to William Dement, M.D., Ph.D. in his book The Promise of Sleep, sleep debt is your body's record of how much sleep it has lost, and will not be "paid back" until the body has earned each hour of sleep lost back.

According to experts, along with staying out of "debt," the key to staying on track with sleep is maintaining a consistent sleep schedule. Taking 15-20 minute naps during the day when sleepy can be beneficial.

Many students attempt to catch up on sleep they lost during the week on the weekend, sleeping in much later than they would on the weekdays. But that isn't a healthy pattern.

"The brain is a creature of habit," said Brauer. "It is much better to be consistent. When you sleep in until 1 or 2 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, you might have a hard time falling asleep at a decent hour on Sunday night."

However, going to bed at a decent hour can be a challenge in dorm rooms.

"There are distractions," said first-year Laura Cricenti, who lives in Harris/Millis. "Friends are available right next door. It's different than living at home." Sophomore Hillary Peters, who lives in Simpson Hall, expressed similar sentiments. "Sleeping in dorms is a problem. It's impossible to go to sleep before 1 or 2

Epworth Sleepiness Scale

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dozing

2 = moderate chance of dozing

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Sitting and talking to someone

Sitting quietly after a lunch without alcohol

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New Parking Lot Planned to Improve Current Problem

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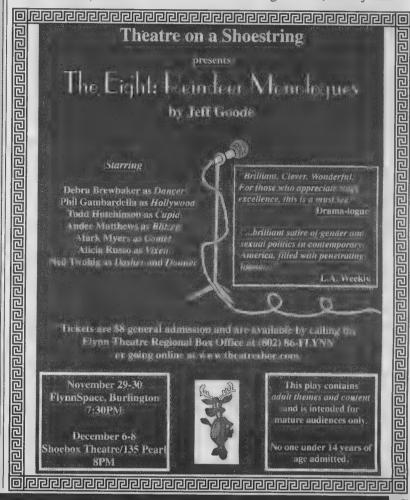
A parking garage near Patrick Gymnasium is currently in the planning process and is expected to provide 400-500 additional spaces on campus.

This is occurring in conjunction with the Redstone housing project, which will wipe out parking in both the Simpson and Wing lots during construction.

Students may end up providing for the costs of building the garage.

The lot is expected to provide 400-500 more spaces.

"There has been a proposal that an increase in parking fees would be a possible or likely means of off-setting the cost," Casey said.





REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR SPRING 2002

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-ARTS & LEISURE

Local Art Showcased in L/L

By MARY KATE GUCCION

A new exhibit has arrived in Living and Learning's Gallery. Marilyn Gillis' "Fabric Visions" features a collection of hand-made quilts that explore textiles as a new medium.

"My two greatest sources of inspiration are feminism and nature," says Gillis, and her collection shows it. The quilts illustrate the power of nature, and address social issues of women around the world. They are hand-dyed, hand-painted, and machine quilted.

One amazing piece, "Solar Winds," explores the beauty of the phenomenon that results in the aurora borealis. Vivid orange, red, and yellow hues create a fiery sun with star-like clusters along the edge.

Gillis sewed sequins onto the quilt, giving it the impression of movement as the solar winds shoot off the edge of the sun.

Another piece, "Acid Attacks," addresses a crime against women that occurs in Bangladesh and India. In these countries, an estimated 2-5 women are assaulted every week by men who feel they have been rejected or snubbed.

These men throw nitric or sulfuric acid into the faces of the offending women. Girls as young as ten years old have been punished in this manner for rejecting the advances of older men. The quilt itself is a furious blur of pink, yellow, and orange cloth, burned by the artist. It makes the audience aware of the pain and fury of these attacks.

Gillis' work will be on display from Nov. 5 through Dec. 5.

Gillis received a master's in education and human development from UVM, and teaches health at Milton High School and adolescent development at St. Mike's.

The gallery itself, located in L/L across from the Learning Cooperative, features art from student, local, national and international artists.

Chad Porter, co-director of the gallery and director of the photo co-op, says, "The quality of art we get in here is excellent.

"We are usually booking a year ahead."

The gallery features three of four exhibits during the fall semester. Two "outside" shows are featured in the spring semester, in addition to several student shows.

Living and Learning student programs display their work in the gallery, but individual students can as well. Use of the gallery is free, but students must gain permission to show exhibits there one year in advance.

The gallery is free to the public, and open Monday through Friday, from 12:30 to 8:30 p.m., and Saturday from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. It is located between the Learning Cooperative and the Fireplace Lounge in the Living and Learning Center.

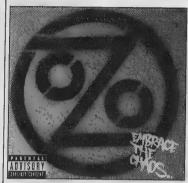
"It's hard work running this gallery," says Joan Watson, codirector of the gallery and director of the pottery co-op. "But the plus part is you get to introduce people to a new world."

Ozomatli at Higher Ground

By DAN McCLUSKEY

This Saturday and Sunday, Higher Ground in Winooski welcomes L.A. based band Ozomatli.

Named for the Aztec god of dance, the nine piece ensemble showcases a pastiche of musical influences ranging from Gypsy, Cuban, Hip-Hop to Punk and the product, *Embrace the Chaos*,



offers innovative sound with substance.

From their very beginning, Ozomatli has been actively working for the betterment of the community and for a heightened awareness of its citizens rights. It's Black, Chicano, Japanese, Cuban, Jewish and Filipino make up gathers harmony from very different perspectives and has led to their being referred to as 'the people's band.'

The sophomore record's title suggests the necessity to borrow from the momentum of turbulent times and use it to make a positive difference.

Ulises Bella, tenor sax, clarinet and keyboard player for Ozomatli explains, "As a band we've been through so much.

"Whether it was changing our

record label, dealing with the absence of a band member or feeling the tension at the DNC (Democratic National Convention). Something can always pop up to complicate things and that's when you have to embrace the chaos and accept that it is out of your hands."

In July of 2000, the Democratic Convention set up camp in Los Angeles. Ozo was there with other musical acts such as Rage Against the Machine offering their music to protestors. Just as Bill Clinton was telling the world how great America was, the band's power was cut and rubber bullets were used on the protestors. The people who were speaking their minds were effectively told that they could no longer voice their opinions and the powers that be went to great lengths to insure the status quo.

"Let's quit looking for the differences, said Bella. "Let's start looking for the common ground because finding that connection is usually a lot closer than we think."In an era of manufactured stars, it is refreshing to see a band striving to leave the world a better place than they found it.

Ozomatli has shared the stage with such acts as Dave Matthews, Santana, Lenny Kravitz, Jurassic 5 and Black Eyed Peas and will be in the Green Mountain State this weekend.

Tickets are on sale at the UVM Box Office, Higher Ground or on-line at Ticketweb.com. 18+ For more information visit www.ozomatli.com

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Dual Kings Raise Questions

By DAN McCLUSKEY

To turn a blind eye and ignore what I have seen would not only compromise my journalistic integrity, but would also carry out a grave injustice to the greater Burlington community. I have been given sneers and heard expletives aplenty but I know in my heart that what is present on St. Paul St. must no longer remain a secret.

The ground floor window of the Vermont Pub and Brewery displays a bust of Elvis Aaron Presley overlooking the grassy knoll of the green in front of City Hall. His presence in said window offers no peculiarity though what does is a second, seemingly unconnected King surveying the opposite end of St. Paul St.

Upon my arrival in the Vermont Pub and Brewery, I was met with great hesitation regarding the Elvi. Mike Trepanier, a Rutland, VT native, insisted that he would disclose all pertinent information regarding the phenomena though I saw in his feeble demeanor that he was indeed holding back.

Trepanier explained that there were initially two Elvi in the Vermont Pub and Brewery until a clumsy waitress knocked one off of his pedestal. "It was the strangest thing," he whispered, "We had a young Elvis and a fat Elvis. Nobody noticed the Elvis in the Burlington Savings Bank building until young Elvis was gone. Though the young

Elvis across the way has gold sequins instead of silver rhinestones. I know it's him."

The employees of the SE Group, a landscape architecture firm, share their office with the second Elvis in question. They were initially apprehensive to comment, but I was brought to learn that their Elvis first appeared after the ice storm of 1997. Burlington was incapacitated and the Burlington Savings Bank building was closed for three days.

'Nobody knows how he got here... he just sort of appeared.'

Mark Kane, Class of '91

An employee and UVM graduate Mark Kane said "Nobody knows how he got here... he just sort of appeared."

Elvis has spent all but two days in the window where he currently resides. Another employee who insisted on remaining anonymous told me that he moved Elvis to dust and simply forgot to replace him. That very evening the man was rushed to Fletcher Allen Medical Center complaining of a sharp pain in his side. Six hours later, the man passed a kidney stone. No one has since removed the bust from its spot overlooking St. Paul St.

This inquiry is far from over and will be addressed in the next issue of the Vermont Cynic. Resolution is to be found.

Catamount Sports

Running Nowhere



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Hi, my name is Ben Dickie and I am not a Heisman hopeful. Just thought

Ben Dickie would make Sports Columnist that clear right up front to the

NCAA so that they don't have to investigate how I got that beat up 1993 Nissan Sentrà that I tour around town in. There is nothing better than bringing attention to oneself who is already in the spotlight. Yes, Mr. DeShaun Foster, I am talking about you here.

One of, if not the top running back in college football this season, Foster has carried the load for the UCLA Bruins all season.

On a team that starts off the year with low expectations, UCLA vaulted up the rankings with a few big wins and found themselves in the top five. But as the saying goes, bad things come in threes.

If losing two in a row and dropping out of title hopes wasn't bad enough, along came a Ford Explorer and to the street clothes when Foster.

While Foster's investigation focuses on what seems to be "extra benefits" from driving a SUV of

FULL-COURT someone close to the Bruins program, Boston College is staying pretty tight-lipped on why Green and his 145.5 rushing yards a game is suspended, only calling it a "breaking of an unidentified team rule."

> Big time players not thinking is not something new this year though, as it seems every year

There is nothing better than bringing attention on oneself when already in the spotlight.

someone slips up and a NCAA investigation follows.

Anybody remember Peter Warrick and his little discounted shopping spree just a few years ago? Sometimes that is overlooked even though he sat out three games, since the Seminoles went on to win the national championship that year, with Warrick lighting up the Virginia Tech secondary in front of the world.

Maybe it's just me, but if I had reporters following me around as if my name was Michael Jordan, I might be a little more careful on what I did and what I accepted.

But then again, maybe that's why I am not a Heisman candidate.

Catamounts Dominate Harvard, Fall to Brown

Vermont's power play came alive with four man-up goals and goaltender Shawn Conschafter made 45 saves as the Catamonts' held on for a 5-1 win over Harvard in their ECAC opener at Gutterson Fieldhouse Friday night.

Vermont got on the board early in the first period when John Longo scored at 4:15, with Gerard Miller and Brady Leisenring recording assists.

They got on board again with another power-play goal at 16:45 of the first when Scott Mifsud scored, Longo also assisted.

Harvard, 1-2-0 overall and in the ECAC, made it 2-1 in the final minute of the first period when Tim Petit scored.

The Catamounts answered at 12:56 of the second when Bryson Busniuk scored his first goal of the year.

Vermont took a 4-1 lead at 11:43 of the third when Oriel McHugh added another goal. Busniuk and Miles assisted. Miles scored his first of the year late in the game to make it 5-1. Patrick Sharp assist-

Vermont Stopped by Brown Brown got two goals and two assists from Adam Saunders and



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

Freshman Brady Leisenring prepares to face off against Brown on Saturday. Leisenring socred Vermont's lone goal against Brown and scored the gamewinner and an assist against Harvard on Friday.

23 saves from goaltender Brian Eklund in a 5-1 ECAC win over Vermont Saturday night.

The Bears, 2-1-0 overall and in the ECAC, took a 1-0 lead at 15:30 in the first when Tye Korbl scored. Keith Kirley also assisted on the play. Esdale scored early in the second to give Brown a twogoal lead. Adam Saunders and Scott Ford picked up the assists.

Vermont, 1-4-0 overall and 1-1-0 in the ECAC, scored early in the third period when Brady Leisenring buried a shot from the crease after taking a pass from

Scott Mifsud.

John Longo also assisted on the goal, Lesenring's third of the year and his second in two games.

Brown regained a two-goal lead at 5:01 of the third when Shane Mudry scored. The Bears took a 4-1 lead moments later when Saunders scored his first goal of the night. He added another goal at 10:57 of the third.

Conschafter finished with 32 saves for Vermont, while Sortal stopped three in relief.

-Sports Info

Roommates are Double Trouble

By LISA OBRENTZ

Scoring a combined 45 points against Saint Michael's, roommates T.J. Sorretine and Taylor Coppenrath led the Cats to an 84-

Men's Basketball

72 victory in their last exhibition game before opening the regular

In last year's matchup, the Purple Knights came from behind in their win over UVM, and this year the Cats were determined no to produce a replay of that scenario.

"T.J. was adamant that he was not going to let us lose this game," said Coach Tom Brennan.

The 2000-2001 America East Rookie of the Year, sophomore sensation Sorrentine posted a game-high 27 points and captured four steals.

"They played their hearts out," said Brennan.

Coppenrath scored 18 points, seized 12 rebounds, and denied four shots.

'T.J. was adamant that he was not going to let us lose this game.'

> Tom Brennan Men's Basketball Coach

"When I play well, he plays well, said Coppenrath. "We just pick each other up."

Seniors Trevor Gaines and Corry McLaughlin, as well and juniors Grant Anderson and Andre Anderson provided leadership to the squad in their exhibition win.

Gaines bucketed 18 points and snatched 11 rebounds.

"Trevor was, of course, tremendous," said Brennan.



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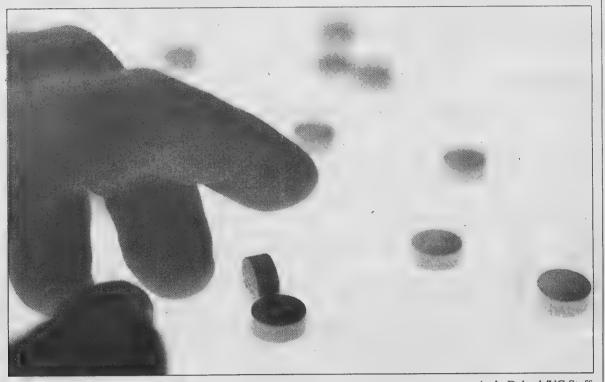


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Ritalin Abuse Rampant in Vermont



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A University student displays his 10 mg Ritalin pills, prescribed to treat Attention Deficit Disorder.

Prescription Drug Abuse a Problem on Campus

By KATE ALLEGRINI

According to a recent article in The Times Argus, the state of Vermont ranks second in the nation for per capita consumption of Ritalin (methylphenidate), used to treat Attention Defeceit Disorder (ADD) in school chil-

A familiar stimulant drug, long used to treat hyperactivity in children, is quickly becoming the drug abuse "hot topic" among college campuses nationwide. Increased reports of Ritalin and Adderall (Dexedrine/ amphetamine) abuse have taken center stage in television specials and news magazine articles over the last six years.

Prescription tablets, which produce mild stimulant effects when taken as directed and at usual prescription doses, can create powerful stimulant effects and serious

'Ritalin is a poor man's cocaine. It is just as addicting and available.'

> -Jessica Bennett Class of 2003

health risks when crushed and then snorted like cocaine, or even injected like heroin.

"Ritalin is a poor man's cocaine," said junior Jessica Bennett. "It is just as addicting and available. The only difference is the manufacturers are established corporations and the supplier is often your best friend."

Producing cocaine-like stimulant effects, Ritalin is just the latest trend in an expanded level of abuse of stimulant drugs that mirrors the "Speed Freak" era of the late 1960's.

Ritalin and Adderall are central nervous system stimulants, similar to amphetamines in the nature

and duration of their effects. It is believed that these stimulants work by arousing the brain stem.

Pharmacologically, it works on the neurotransmitter dopamine, and in that respect resembles the stimulant effects of cocaine.

When taken as directed, it would be classified as having mild to moderate stimulant properties, but when injected it has a more severe stimulant effect.

"Diagnosis of ADD is a joke," said first year Anna Solvell.

"Because it is an over-diagnosed disorder, all types of people feel justified to use a drug that is prescribed to people who have a difficult time concentrating."

Use of Ritalin and Adderall appears to be more acceptable especially because students often use the drugs to help them prepare assignments or study for a test.

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UVM Protesters Apprehended at Fort Benning

By LEE HIGGINS

First-year Douglas Ian Spielman, 18, of New York City was released from federal custody last week at Fort Benning Military Reservation in Georgia, after being held on \$1,500 bond for criminal trespass and a marijuana posession charge.

He was charged after Fort Benning Military Police found marijuana in a Univeristy of Vermont vehicle when he and 10 others attempted to enter the military post.

The vehicle, taken out by the Student Government Association sponsored International Socialist Organization was impounded, pending release to University offi-

Spielman and the others were headed to a demonstration against the Army's school for Latin American soldiers, formerly known as the School of the Americas.

The school was closed in December and replaced with a Western school, the

Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation.

The individuals were apprehended at approximately 4:30 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 18, according to Elsie Jackson, a public affairs specialist at Fort Benning.

"The ten who were charged tried to drive on post at 4:30 in the morning, were turned around and afforded the opportunity to leave because they were at the wrong gate for the protest anyway, and trespassed right back on through the same gate," Jackson said.

According to Jackson, the 10 students who were not found in possession were charged under United States Code Title 18 with criminal trespass and issued a ban and bar letter which prohibits them from crossing Fort Benning boundaries for five years.

"The I.S.O. took our SGA van down to protest the School of the Americas, took a wrong turn, and found themselves at Fort Benning," said SGA Vice Presid-

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Rescue Team

Andy Duback/VC Staff

Moriah McCullagh, Jennifer Demoroney, and Will Moran, pictured left to right, are all members of UVM Rescue Squad.

UVM Study Confirms Acupuncture's Effect

Previous studies on acupuncture icine, and is not itself considered have focused on the ancient art's to be therapeutic. therapeutic effects, but now - for the first time - there is scientific evidence of the response of body tissue to acupuncture needling.

Conducted at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, the two-year study takes a major step towards establishing credibility among Western medical practitioners for the therapy long considered "alternative."

A report on the study, titled "Biomechanical response to acupuncture needling in humans," will be featured in the December issue of the Journal of Applied Physiology.

Much of the skepticism about acupuncture stems from the fact that the insertion of hypodermic needles is routine in Western med-

The key to acupuncture's blomechanical effect, says lead investigator Helene Langevin, M.D., assistant professor of neurology and a licensed acupuncturist, is

UVM College of Medicine Study helps establish credibility among Western medical practitioners for therapy long considered alterna-

not the insertion of each ultra-fine acupuncture needle, but its manipulation.

No previous research has looked at the effect of the manipulation of the acupuncture needle on the tis-

During an acupuncture session, each acupuncture needle is manipulated in order to elicit the "de qi" (pronounced "day-chee") response. De qi is traditionally believed to be essential in achieving acupuncture's therapeutic

A phenomenon called "needle grasp" is a component of de qi that is often described by acupuncturists as feeling like a fish tugging on a fishing line.

When de qi occurs, patients typically experience an aching sensa-

To establish a scientific basis for acupuncture's effect, the Vermont researchers sought to measure the force required to overcome the tissue-needle connection that occurs during needle grasp.

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Campus Drug Violations Jump

were reported to UVM Police number of things." Services in the year 2000, as stated in their annual report, the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act.

The Clery Act was named after a Lehigh student was raped and murdered in her dorm room in 1986. Passed in 1990, the act requires that colleges publish sexual and drug abuse reports.

The number of drug violations reported to UVM Police has risen from 257 in 1999. While it seems a dramatic increase in one year, officials offer a number of

"It could be because more phone calls have been made by RAs," said UVM Police Chief Gary Margolis. "It could be more drug use, more officers looking

Over 400 drug law violations for substance abuse, it could be a

The number of liquor violations has also jumped to 1008 violations in 2000, up from 936 in

"Drug and alcohol abuse are pretty prevalent," said Margolis.

With the prevelancy of drug and alcohol abuse is the image of UVM being a party school. That reputation becomes a factor in prospective students' decisions on whether or not to attend the University.

"Parents and students certainly ask about the party school image," said Susan Wertheimer, a Senior Admissions Officer. "We try not to gloss things over. But those statistics alone don't tell the whole story of UVM."

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Report Card: Fall Semester 2001

The time has arrived for attendance at the library to increase, trips to Alice's for coffee and candy to double, and stress levels to rise uncontrollably.

It's finals time, when grades and tests become everyone's worry. While professors work on giving students grades for the end of the first semester, we decided to turn the tables and give UVM its report card for the 2001 fall semester.

Interim President Edwin Colodny: Started off great, including a excellent speech at the Sept. 11 service, but his participation grade has dropped since he hasn't been seen around much a whole lot other the UVM/BC hockey game Homecoming weekend.

We understand he's busy running the school and all, but he'd earn some more effort points if he were seen walking around campus more.

Many students don't even know why he is here and what he does for the school. He needs to make a better connection with the general student population. Overall: C

Sept. 11 (Dealing with the aftermath): Many students were upset with the fact that the school didn't cancel classes on Sept. 11 or Sept. 14, the National Day of Mourning.

This is UVM and not NYU or George Washington. Many students here have relatives that live or work in NYC and DC The campus as a whole was deeply affected by the events and should have had time to be with friends and to get in touch with family. Support groups and events were not widely publicized.

The school did not give enough attention to students who did not necessarily lose loved ones. They too were still dealing with the events and stress of the time. Overall: C-

Administration (As a whole): Other than the occasional school-wide email, communication between the administration and students is almost non-existent.

Some feel there is no real effort to see to the students' needs and wants. Maybe the administration can do some make-up work to earn extra credit, perhaps a survey to students to see what they are happy and unhappy with.

Students will give the administration some helpful suggestions if the administration is willing to listen. Overall: D+

Faculty: Many professors have made a

real effort to break away from the lecture "suck the life out of the book" style of teaching.

Most are more than willing to meet with students, talk on the phone on Sunday night when it's panic time, and genuinely take the time to get to know their pupils.

But some professors didn't make an effort to understand and work with students dealing with the traumatic events of Sept. 11, and some moved on without ever addressing the issue, making many students feel stressed and pressured even more than normal. Overall: B-

Students: Overall, the student body is friendly. But there is not a strong sense of unity. Students need a social outlet other than downtown at Rasputin's.

It will be silly to propose that everyone gets to know one another on this campus of 10,000 students, but we still need to make more of an effort to create a sense of togeth-

Many students take advantage of the number of activities on campus, from the rugby team to judicial council, but not enough are making a real effort to connect

Make a new group if none are to your liking. What ever you do, avoid reducing your college experience to classwork and dorm life. Overall: C

Sports Fans: Even despite the athletics cuts, UVM fans have come out full throttle.

All fans, especially the freshman class, have been extremely supportive of the hockey team and others, even when it looked like they wouldn't win a game all season.

Members of the Burlington community came out in force, as usual. For example, with two minutes left and down 5-1 to Brown, UVM fans were cheering hard for their Cats. Charlie Catamount and Kitty Catamount would have been proud. Overall:

File-Sharing Crackdown on Programs: Does this school have anything better to do than spend large amounts of time cracking down on downloading Michael

Maybe it should spend a little more time focusing on something more important like recruiting and fundraising. Overall: D-

· If you didn't make the Dean's list, don't worry. There is always next semester.

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Think Through Issues Rationally

To the Editor:

Basic psychology and our own experience tells us that anger feels better than sadness.

We all know that it's easier to yell than cry, especially in times of great sadness. The expression of both anger and sadness are cathartic, so they make us feel better.

Unfortunately, we've had more cause for anger and sadness recently than in any time in my memory, and this emotion is clouding the issues,

Around these issues and emotions, people have been polarizing, and that has led to many words and opinions forged in anger.

These dueling polarized opinions seem to rule the ideological spectrum right now.

When dealing with issues of politics and ideology, we Americans tend to assume that there are two viewpoints. Point A vs. Point B. The Nationalists vs. the Socialists.

Be with the U.S. war or support the terrorists. This dualist rhetoric is just an invention of humanity's need to find

order in things. In reality, the spectrum of ideals is huge and full of opportunity for independent thought.

Don't side with the Nationalists because you think the events of September 11 were atrocious. Don't side with the Socialists because you think war is bad.

Decide for yourself where on the spectrum you belong, without the anger and pain that has come to define the poles and we can begin a dialouge

Blind patriotism and blind ideology are just that: Blind. Everyone wants what is better for themselves and their vision of the world.

It is yet to be seen who will win out. Be aware that now is the time to be involved.

If you are too busy acting on basic emotions, yelling and screaming, you'll miss out on what may be a change in the world.

> Leonard Veccione Class of 2003

Socialists Not the Only Peace Workers

To the Editor:

In reading the latest editions of the Vermont Cynic, one would think that the current national debate is between between socialists and war supporters.

I am writing this letter to defend those that have been made to feel like traitors recently.

Personally, I am a very involved peace activist; I have no affiliation with the ISO.

My objection to the government lies solely in our exploitation of other countries; it has little to do with inner structure.

The U.S. government seems to take good care of our citizens, sadly at the cost of others. Our government would sacrifice the safety of other nations' citizens to reduce our oil prices by a mere two cents. Citizens of other countries have just as much a right to live comfortably as we do.

I see most of the anti-ISO propaganda as an insult to the peace movement. I am a very vocal member of the SFPGJ but take no interest in the International Socialist Organization.

ISO peace workers may work by my side for peace, but they have respect for my position. They do not shove "cult"-like propaganda down my

We all just work together for a common dream of peace and respect for the other nations that we share this planet

> Lorelei Schmitt Class of 2005

UVM Students Should Act Their Age

To the Editor:

I am writing this in response to a only shocked me but insulted me as well.

The article was about how students are overwhelmed with the amount of money that they are having to spend here at UVM.

Living above the Simpson store, I know how I find myself wandering over there whether I need anything or not, and walking out of it with at least one thing that cost twice as much than if I had bought it a grocery store.

I also know that supplies that you need creep up on you all the time and that definitely adds up.

But what are people complaining about with the high prices of fines for drinking or getting caught drinking?

Or even parking tickets? Am I hearing this correctly?

What ever happened to taking recent article in the Cynic which not responsibility for your own actions? Not parking your car illegally?

This is college folks, the place where our actions can and will decide the course of your life.

It will determin what profession you decide upon, how much money you will make, who you might spend the rest of your life with.

What I am getting at is, if you cannot handle getting caught and then paying these fines without complaining, do you really belong here?

> Stephan Woodruff Class of 2005

Make Your Voice Heard

The situation in Afghanistan is changing on a regular basis now, and it seems as though the last stronghold of the Taliban, Kandahar, is on the verge of succumbing to the pressures of hostile ground troops and American air superiority.

The 7.5 million Afghans who

The 7.5 million Afghans who faced privation this winter now have easier access to humanitarian aid than they ever did under the Taliban.

faced privation this winter now have easier access to humanitarian aid than they ever did under the Taliban, and many of the stifling aspects of the Taliban regime have been overturned.

Now that the forces sheltering Bin Laden have been removed from power, it is only a matter of time before the terrorists face justice at the hands of America.

Our government has proven itself adept at handling delicate coalition building, conducting a military action under the scrutiny of the world, and helping Americans overcome the paralyzing fear that accompanied the terrorist attacks and the subsequent anthrax scare.

This is not a time for stagnation, however.

The sudden shift in the military situation is obviously positive, but thousands of our troops remain in harm's way.

They still need our thoughts, our prayers, and our support.

On Dec. 1 there will be an antiwar demonstration in City Hall Park, condemning the military action and America's patriotic support for it.

The time has come for students at UVM to make our voices heard. If you believe that this conflict has been and remains a just and necessary fight to preserve our freedom and our way of life, oppose this demonstration.

Whether you stand to the left or to the right, do not allow the tiny yet vocal contingent of antiwar activists on this campus to speak for you.

Despite military successes, this is not a time for stagnation, Thousands of our troops remain in harm's way.

Stand across the street from this protest and let it be known that the students of UVM stand behind America's bravest: the men and women of our armed forces.

Columnist Russel Cynic Henderson is a member of the Class of 2003.

A Call For Accountability



al thought Cynic Columnist could possibly lead them to trespass on that base in a UVM SGA van with drugs in their possession?

What ration-

The base involved is a US Army Infantry base in Fort Benning, Georgia and the students involved are members of the SGA supported International Socialist Organization.

The ISO receives over three thousand dollars from SGA. This radical organization drove 1200 miles to Ft. Benning in a van purchased by the SGA with funds obtained from student

The military police at Ft. Benning, as a direct result of the ISO's reckless and irresponsible behavior, impounded OUR SGA

van. How much will WE wind up paying to get OUR van back?

The ISO is not a political group like the Democrats, Republicans, or even the Green Party.

The UVM International Socialist Organization promotes the forcible overthrow of the capitalist system and the destruction of our government.

If the radical professors won't 'educate' their followers, then the administration must hold those professors accountable.

Do we want our money going to fund their kinds of escapades? Is their paid activist leader, Ashley Smith proud? Does he care what he has done to these students' futures?

Trespassing on a military facility is a federal offense, carrying with it a possible penalty of six months in jail. This has been compounded by the drug bust in the UVM vehicle.

These college students are

now learning the harsh lesson of taking responsibility for their actions. The people who led them to do this must be held accountable as well.

What of their faculty supporters? Are the professors who support this organization proud of themselves and their student followers?

You'd think that part of the 'education' that the radical ISO professors give these students would include acting in a responsible manner.

If these professors won't 'educate' their followers, then the administration must hold the professors accountable.

The actions of a UVM sponsored group reflect upon us all. If we let this slide, we may as well voice our approval for their actions. The SGA must cease funding and recognition of the radical, irresponsible ISO immediately.

This overly shrill minority has embarrassed the whole University all semester. Enough is enough.

Bill on Terrorism Is Terrorism

By ADAM DUBIN

At a time when people are feeling vulnerabe, quickly and easily, the United States Government passed the Patriot Act, which aims to fight terrorism.

Looking at history, we see that the term 'Patriotism' often comes with negative connotations. Patriotic sentiment becomes most evident during periods of national

Throughout history, the term 'patriotism' has often come with negative connotations.

vulnerability.

This strong nationalistic sentiment often results in the scapegoating and isolation of minority groups. Repeated time after time; The Alien and Sedition Acts of 1798, the Smith act and Japanese internment, just to name a few, illustrate how minority groups have been the target of profiling and persecution.

The recent Patriot Act is no

Overly nationalisc sentiments have often resulted in the scapegoating and isolation of minority groups.

exception to this trend.

Most salient is the vague definition of 'suspicion of terrorism,' which is repeatedly stated within the 1016 sections of the bill.

Without substantial evidence, the government can infringe on the rights of people whom they feel

meet a generalized criteria of a terrorist. This criteria specifically targets people from the Middle East.

Also included in this bill is the right to enter a house on the basis of, 'reasonable cause to believe.'

A search warrant no longer needs to be presented prior to a search; rather, if terrorist activity is suspected, law enforcement can conduct a search at any time, whether the suspect is home or

Another detrimental aspect of the bill is the Attorney General's ability to detain an immigrant for up to seven days without charges.

If in fact an immigrant becomes exempt from deportation, the Attorney General has the ability to detain that person indefinitely.

The Patriot Act violates some of the basic rights upon which our country was founded.

The last detrimental aspect is the ability of the Attorney General to detain or deport anyone who has an, 'innocent associational' contact with groups who the government may feel are a threat.

The Patriot Act is not necessarily a complete violation of civil liberties, but rather its infringements are limited to certain areas. However, these infringements are violations of what our country was founded upon. Violating those rights goes against core values of American society.

Cynic Columnist Adam Dubin is a member of the Class of 2005

U.S. Supports Israeli Terrorism, Say Brits



Brandon Johnson Cynic Columnist

"Blair is standing shoulder to shoulder with the world's biggest terrorist state, the US : . . Until justice

prevails in Palestine and

for all those suffering under imperialism, there will be no peace."

Who does that sound like? Wrong.

It was George Galloway, a Labour MP, after a London protest in which nearly 100,000 people marched to show their opposition to the military operations in Afghanistan. Believe it.

Maybe we should bomb Britain? I hope the right-wing hawks aren't that nuts. They're probably not, but sending Jeb Bush (with side-kick Katherine Harris) over to jolly-ole England to secure it for George (seeing as Blair obviously isn't doing a very good job) does have some solid political irony to it.

But let us get back to Galloway's warning: as the US carves up the Middle-East according to its oil interests, what is to be done with the Israel-Palestinian conflict?

In a speech given on Nov. 19, Colin Powell laid out his vision: "two states, Israel and Palestine, living side by side."

But as Edward Said has put it: "One side possesses a modern military arsenal (unconditionally supplied by the US) while the other is stateless, virtually defenseless, savagely persecuted at will, herded inside 160 cantons, schools closed, life made impossible."

So what would just giving the Palestinians a state solve? Nothing.

To preempt Powell's speech,

the US Senate approved a further \$2.76 billion aid package to Israel. (Which gets 4 billion not 40 billion per year as I mistakenly said early.) Of this 2.76 billion, \$2.04 was earmarked for "special military aid."

This is not money for peace, it's money for war.

As the protesters in London said, "The money spent on bombs should be spent on education, transport, health, public services. This war is about the assertion of US power—stop the war now."

said about What was Afghanistan could have been said about the Palestinians.

'Until justice prevails in Palestine and for all those suffering under imperialism there will be no peace.'

-George Galloway Labour MP

Peace in Palestine begins with what Powell said, a stop to the settlements, but that's just half a step. The US needs to stop giving bombs to Israel; give bread and books Palestinians instead.

But the US wants dominance in the region. With that in mind, Powell's remarks sound hollow.

So how did Ariel Sharon like Powell's peace speech? He said he did, then he continued the cycle of violence that began with the assassination of a leading Palestinian. The French foreign ministry denounced the

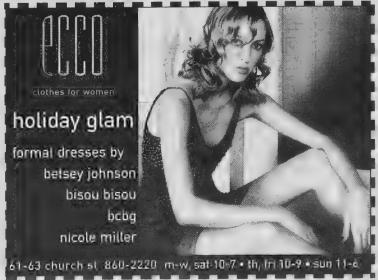
More Iragis perished on Sept 11th from U.S. sanctions than died in the World Trade Center.

killing as a "particularly unwarranted and irresponsible act at a time when violence is decreasing and parties are being called upon to begin talks again to establish a cease-fire." (Uh-oh, should we bomb the French after the British?!?)

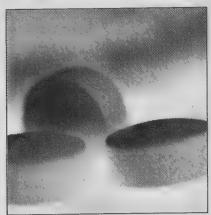
The nearly 100,000 people in London weren't only talking about Afghanistan and Palestine. They also said that the US sanctions on Iraq killed more on Sept 11th than perished in the World Trade Center.

More died in South Africa than in New York that day too, there because of AIDS and the pharmaceutical companies' criminal over-pricing.

So from London let it known that the real "war on terrorism" continues: the marching of thousands Washington's agenda.



Ritalin/Adderall Widely Abused



Andy Duback/VC Staff A close-up of the Ritalin pills that have many hooked.

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UVM campus psychiatrist Dr. David McKay cites the need for students to take care of their health.

"I find drug abuse of all sorts disturbing. It bothers me that students aren't taking care of their brains by using unprescribed medication. Depression and ADD seem to go hand in hand when mental problems get wrapped in with a similar disorder." Sophmore Anne Wadelton feels

'It bothers me that students aren't taking care of their brains by using unprescribed medication.'

> -Dr. David McKay UVM Psychiatrist

that drug abuse is a serious issue in the state of Vermont.

"Vermont is quite literally creating drug addicts at an early age that will only intensify at the college level and throughout life."

The manufacturer cautions physicians to be on the lookout for the following adverse effects: nervousness and insomnia; loss of appetite, nausea and vomiting; dizziness, palpitations, headaches; changes in heart rate and blood pressure (usually elevation of both); skin rashes and itching; abdominal pain, weight loss, and digestive problems; toxic psychosis, psychotic episodes, drug dependence sydrome; and severe depression upon withdrawal.

Student Vows to Return to Fort Benning Protest Next Year

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ent Julie Britt. "The I.S.O. is an SGA recognized club. They took the van for their club's purpose just as any other club would take a van for their own club's purpose."

According to Director of Student Life Pat Brown, there have been other occasions that University vehicles have been used to transport students to protests.

"There were groups of people that traveled up to Quebec City last year in SGA vehicles or vehicles that may have been paid for by SGA funds," Brown said.

"Students are making decisions

how to spend their money. The University doesn't have any part of that."

First year Leah Burkhart who was temporarily detained with several others by the Fort Benning Military Police found the experience to be eye-opening. "We were lied to, mentally abused, and stripped of many rights for 12 hours," she said.

"It was a pretty bad experience, but a learning one nonetheless. It just reaffirms by beliefs and strengthens my desire to change our system. You can bet I will be there next year, ready to cross the line with the masses and face whatever may come."

Study Opens Doors for Future Research

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Using aunique computer-controlled acupuncture-needling device, Langevin and her colleagues found that a much greater pullout force - 167 percent - was required when the needle was rotated in one direction after insertion than when it was not rotated. When the needle was rotated back and forth, the pullout force was 53 percent greater. This clinical study - which had a total of 60 participants - was the first to measure this effect using an objective methodology.

"We now know that needle manipulation has a measurable biomechanical effect on the tissue," Langevin said. "This effect was present at the control and acupuncture points that we measured, but somewhat more at the acupuncture points." Though previously believed to be a muscle contraction, Langevin's research indicates that layers superficial to the muscle - skin and/or subcutaneous connective tissues - may be involved in the body's response to acupuncture

needling

When the needle is pulled back during needle grasp, the biomechanical phenomenon is visibly recognizable as the tissue below the skin maintains its grasp on the needle, causing the skin to "tent." "Our working hypothesis right now is that the needle grasp is due to connective tissue winding around the needle," said Langevin.

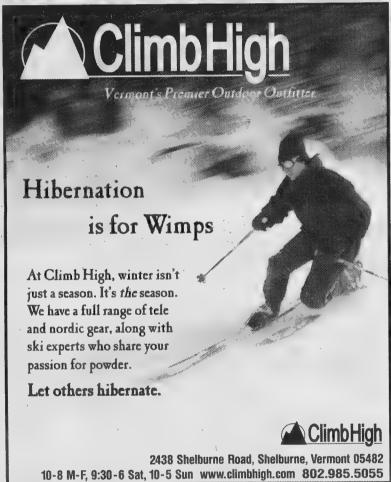
"We also think that the needle may come into contact with more connective tissue at the acupuncture points identified in ancient texts. This may explain why the pullout force was slightly greater at those points."

Langevin was also the lead author of a hypothesis paper on research that supplements these findings, titled "Mechanical signaling through connective tissue: a mechanism for the therapeutic effect of acupuncture," which appeared in the October issue of The FASEB Journal.

She and her colleagues plan to focus future research on trying to prove that connective tissue is indeed involved in needle grasp.

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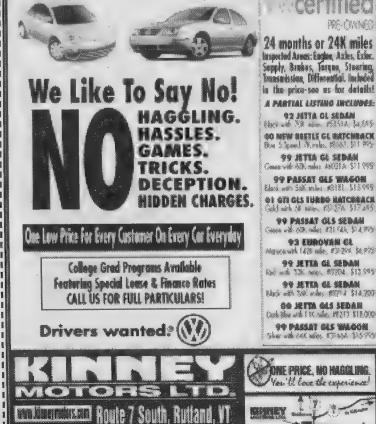
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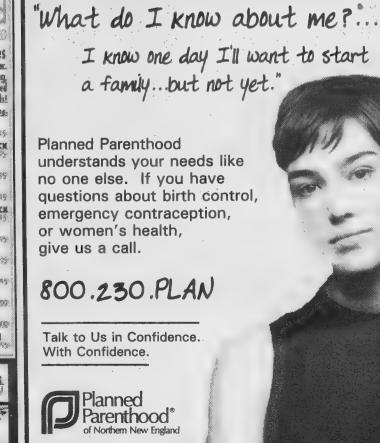
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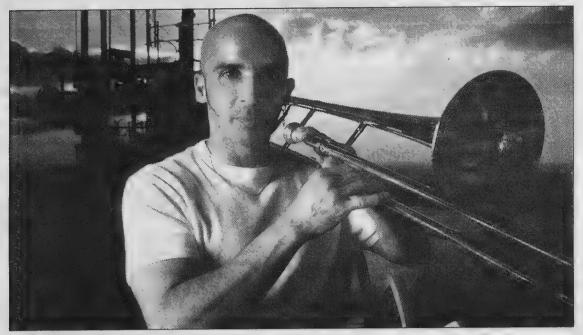
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Dynamic Trombonist Jimmy Bosch Leads Hot Latin Salsa Band at Flynn Theatre on Friday, December 7 at 8 p.m.

The "Toys" Take Over UVM Campus

The UVM Theatre will be presenting its 11th run of "The Toys Take Over Christmas" on Dec. 1 and 2.

The first performance, not open to the public, will be offered free of charge to disadvantaged children in the local community.

"We look at 'Toys' as a gift to the children of the area," said Jeff Modereger, professor of scenic design in the theatre department.

Although the set, lighting, and script remain constant year to year, each season offers different interpretation.

The show is directed and stagemanaged by UVM students, allowing them a unique opportunity to produce a highly profiled play.

This year's production sees non-traditional casting in the roles of Sunny and the Toymaker.

Also, "Toys" will be featuring cheerleaders this year, in contrast to the army dolls of last year's performance. A woman will play the Captain of the Guard.

"Toys" features toy-based characters that fit into a child's world, and of course Santa Claus appears as himself.

If you missed Aristophanes' "The Birds" a UVM Theatre production of Eileen Connolly and Mark Alan Gordon's adaptation of the fifth century satire, redeem

yourself by seeing "Toys."

"The Birds," revised and directed by Gordon for a 20th century audience, poked fun at everything from popular culture to the search for Utopia.

"One of our intentions was to present the audience with an evening of fun," said W.M. Shank, resident lighting designer and professor of theatre.

"Toys" promises to do the same. Tickets are \$8.50 for adults and \$5.50 for children. Performances are at 10:00, 2:00, and 6:00 PM on the first and second of December.

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UVM Theatre, Lane Series to Provide Much Entertainment

With finals around the corner, stress levels are rising. A night of "theatah" could soothe end-of-semester pains.

The UVM Theatre will be presenting "The Toys Take Over Christmas," a family show, on Dec. 1 and 2.

Shows are offered both days at 10 a.m., 2 and 6 p.m.

Tickets cost \$8.50 for adults and \$5.50 for children.

"First Time Showcase," a compilation of themes directed by UVM Theatre students, will be performed on Dec. 6. Tickets are FREE.

Next semester, expect more fine performances from our Theatre Department.

"The Miracle Worker" will be performed at the Royall Tyler Theatre from Feb. 27 through March 10.

The first week's performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.

The second week's performances are scheduled from Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets will cost between nine and \$12.

Also, the One Act Festival will be performed next semester, from April 17 through the April 20.

Like "First Time Showcase," they are student-directed plays. Tickets will cost four dollars.

Also, keep an eye out for "the

Vagina Monologues" and "Rocky Horror" next semester.

The University of Vermont Lane Series has also lined up some impressive acts.

The 46th season, which began on October 3rd, features performances at the Flynn, the UVM Recital Hall, and the Ira Allen

The University of Vermont Lane Series enters its 46th season.

Chapel.

The Lane Series will be presenting Shakespeare's plays, opera, and several styles of music, from folk to chamber.

One of the highlights is "A Medieval Holiday Program with Trefoil," at the UVM Recital Hall, on Dec. 7 at 7:30.

Student tickets are \$13.

Next semester, the Lane Series will bring us the operas "The Merry Widow" and "Rigoletto," and William Shakespeare's "The Taming of the Shrew."

These performances will be at the Flynn, and offer students discounted prices.

For ticket prices, dates, times, and a complete list of performances, visit the website at http://www.uvm.edu/laneseries or contact the Lane Series at 656-3085.

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Young Artist Series

Art's Alive presents an exhibit of early work from six Vermont artists to benefit the Landmine Elimination Foundation

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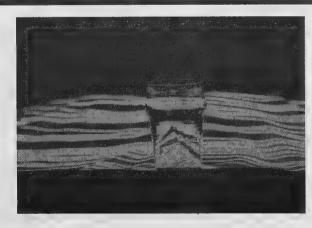
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Catamount Sports

Presents for All



Ben Dickie **Sports** Columnist

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With the holiday season soon approaching I figured I'd better do Christmas my shopping soon before the lines get too long.

Being the generous person that I am, I thought that I would not only give presents to my friends and family this year, but also to some of UVM's winter sports

Let's see, what could I get a whole team though? X-Box and Game Cube are both hot commodities right now, but I was thinking something more educational, something they could maybe benefit from. Plus that is way more than my work-study budget could afford.

I got it; I will get each team a children's book. For the women's basketball team I will get Dr. Seuss' 'Oh the Places You Will Go.' As with a starting five intact from last year and a stellar freshmen class, these ladies already have their sights set beyond the America East Championships, toward Bracketville.

The men's basketball team might find some inspiration from 'The Little Engine that Could.' With the America East Conference doing a little shuffling act this year, Coach Brennan's gang can be heard chanting 'I think I can, I think I can, I think I can,' during warm-ups before each game.

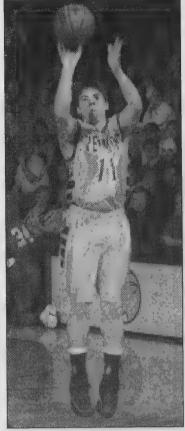
With the women's hockey team taking a big jump this year up to Division One, I thought what would be better then maybe some chapter books? No more Dick and Jane first grade material; they are moving up in the world and need bigger challenges. Tiffany Hayes may make plays, but will this reading level be too much for her and her teammates?

And last but not least, the men's hockey team is the last to sit on old Santa Cynic's lap and get their present. Instead of giving them a book to read, I thought a coloring book would be more worthwhile. This is for them to practice staying in the lines and try to avoid any more issues that the media has a field day with, so then people can focus on what they do best, which is play hockey.

Despite Loss, Men's Basketball Keeps Going Strong

By LISA OBRENTZ

The men's basketball team lost a hard-fought game on Nov. 24 to Cleveland State University, falling 72-69.



University Photography Sophomore T.J. Sorrentine was named Spalding America East Player of the Week and scored 23 points for the team.

Trailing by double digits twice during the game, the Cats brought the gap down to three in the remaining seconds but were unable to sink a basket for the

The CSU Vikings, coached by UVM alum Rollie Massimino ('56), were 7-12 in 3-point field goals in the first half.

The Cats never quite caught up, but showed tremendous effort on the court, led by Sophomore T.J Sorrentine who

'I love my team and this is the most fun I've ever had coaching.'

Tom Brennan Men's Basketball Coach

scored 23 points and played for the entire game.

Freshman David Hehn performed spectacular defensive moves that added to the excitement in the air at Patrick Gym. "When I saw Hehn dive for that ball I said 'we're going to win," declared Coach Tom Brennan.

Praising the "great effort" of his team, Brennan went on to encourage fans to attend games: "We're going to be a fun team to watch. I love my team and this is the most fun I've ever had coaching."

Despite the disappointing 72-69 loss, Grant Anderson said, "I like the way we're playing, we're playing hard and that's what we need to do."

On Sunday, December 2, Patrick Gym hosts a doubleheader when the men face Lehigh at 1:00p.m. and the women take on UMass at 4:00.

Vermont Falls to Denver, 4-1

The Denver Pioneers, the second-ranked mens' ice hockey team in the country, got a pair of second-period goals from Greg Keith and Jon Foster and went on to a 4-1 win over Vermont in the first round of the Dodge Dealers of New England Conference Classic at the University of New Hampshire Saturday.

Vermont's Shawn Conschafter was brilliant in the game, making more than a halfdozen breathtaking saves to keep the game close throughout. He finished with 29 saves.

"I was very happy with Shawn again," Vermont coach Mike Gilligan said. "He's giving us enough in the net to compete with these teams. Now we have to find a way to put some pucks in the net at the other end."

The Catamounts came out flying against the second-ranked Pioneers in a scoreless but exciting first period, getting a number of good scoring chances early on while Conschafter made a number of excellent saves at the other end.

Vermont was 0-for-2 on the power play in the opening 20 minutes, while Denver was 0-for-1 on the man advantage. Nonetheless, Vermont held a 12-7 advantage in shots on goal, a good sign considering the trouble the Catamounts have had recently in getting quality shots on net.

Denver, 9-0-0 overall and off to its best start in school history, took a 1-0 lead when Kevin Doell scored his fourth goal of the season just 19 seconds into the second period, converting a nice centering pass in front from Greg Barber. The Pioneers nearly made it 2-0 seconds later when Connor James broke in alone on Conschafter, but the Catamount netminder stacked the pads and made the stop.

Conschafter continued to excel as the Pioneers went on the power play, making a tremendous save on James and then Chris

Paradise late in the Denver man advantage.

The Pioneers scored on a strange play in front of the Catamount net at 7:04 of the second period, as the puck trickled over the goal line after being redirected. Keith was credited with goal, with Jason Grahame and David Neale recording assists.

Vermont, 1-7-1 overall, cut Denver's lead to 2-1 at 18:05 of the second period when Ryan Miller took a pass from Thomas Hajek and broke down the left wing before cutting to the net and beating Denver goalie Wade Dubielewicz with a backhander through the pads.

But Denver regained their two-goal advantage 36 seconds later when Jon Foster scored another odd goal from the left of

Shawn Conschafter was brilliant in the game, making more than a half-dozen breathtaking saves to keep the game close throughout.

the crease. Conschafter went to his knees to cover the puck, but Foster somehow nudged the goal toward the net while sitting on the ice, and it eluded Conschafter and trickled over the goal line for the Pioneers' third goal of the game.

Vermont had an excellent chance to cut into Denver's lead with 8:38 remaining in the third period. John Longo made a nice move around the net and got a shot on Dubielewicz, who then gave up rebound opportunities to both Brady

Leisenring and Scott Mifsud before the puck was cleared. Greg Barber scored his sixth goal of the season into the empty net at 18:20 to make for the final margin. Dubielewicz recorded 31 saves for Denver.

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UVM Athletic Events of the Week

Wed., Nov. 28 Women's Basketball vs. Dartmouth, 7 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 30 Swimming at Rhode Island w/Holy Cross, Providence, 5 p.m.

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UVM Professor Publishes Controversial Article on Raising White Children

By LEE HIGGINS

As part of his study of the dramatic increase in home-schooled UVM Education children, Professor Robert S. Griffin published "Rearing Honorable White Children: Instilling Racial Identity in Today's Children."

'I wouldn't presume to tell white parents—or black parents or Native American parents or Jewish parents or Amish parents- how they should raise their children.'

-Robert S. Griffin **UVM Education Professor**

The article was published in the Oct. 2001 edition of "American Renaissance," monthly journal that critics charge is extremist and racist.

couples who are rearing their children in a racially conscious manner while writing his book, "A Dead Man's Deeds: The An Up-Close Portrait of White Nationalist William Pierce."

"It was my purpose in this

article to describe, not prescribe," Griffin explained in a written statement to the Cynic.

"I wouldn't presume to tell white parents—or black parents or Native American parents or Jewish parents or Amish parents- how they should raise their children.

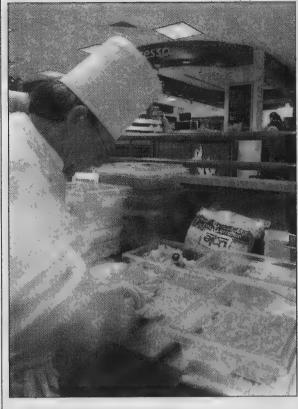
"I believe strongly in the freedom of conscience, and I think all parents have the right to raise their children consistent with their own traditions or not. To me that is right at the core of America, in contrast to what a totalitarian society, is all about."

According to Griffin, an increasing number of parents, particularly conservative Christians, are home-schooling their children, because they are distressed by what they perceive to be the politicization of the schools both public and private.

"As these parents see it, Griffin took interest in white increasingly the schools feel mandated to reshape the hearts and minds of students to conform to their own favored ideologies, ideologies which are contrary to these families' deepest convictions,"

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University Marché Opens For Business





Andy Duback/VC Staff

The University Marché opened last Wednesday next to Alice's Café in the Living/Learning Center.

New Marché Offers More Variety

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

The University of Vermont has a new dining experience in town.

A sort of "reincarnation" of the old Weathervane, the Marché, which literally means "market" in French opened last Wednesday next to Alice's Café in the Living/Learning Center.

The project, which took a total of two years from start to finish, was modeled after various marchés across the nation on college campuses.

Among these are Food Life in Chicago and the Move and Pick Marché in Boston and Montreal, which Living/Learning directors, Dining Services representatives and students visited to get an idea of what the area should look like and how it would run. Kenneth C.

Bean was the architect for the

One major aspect of the Marché that differs from the residential dining halls on campus is that the food is not made to sit in a warming pan for two hours before the students even walk through the door.

"We wanted to sell the idea of freshness: so students can see the food being made in front of them," said Richard Riani, director of University Dining Services,

Chocolate-dipped strawberries, pepperoni pizza, Vermont Cabot Cheese, and Samantha's Fresh Juices are among the items offered at the Marché, either made to order by the chefs or in the form of pre-packaged goods.

"The idea is to bring restau-

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Dorothy Butler Adams, 80, graduated from the University of Vermont last December.

Eighty-year-old Graduates from UVM

Adams Brings Experience To Classroom

By ANDY DUBACK

"My kids say I'm a newsoholic," confesses eighty-year old Dorothy Butler Adams, a recent UVM December graduate.

Pointing to a stack of publications on the coffee table, including the Washington Post and U.S. News and World Report, her voracious reading habits are apparent.

Adams began her college education in her mid-seventies, having no formal education since May of 1941.

A lowly freshman, with no credits in her back pocket and a daunting string of courses ahead of her. Dorothy chose History as a major. Adams says of her reasons

for starting the endeavor, "I was the only one in the whole family who hadn't been a graduate so I figured it was my turn."

Her father, who studied at the West Point Military Academy with such figures as Douglas MacArthur, indoctrinated Adam's interest in history.

"The craving for knowledge rubbed off on her from her father. She worked diligently and hard at achieving her goals," said Melanie Gustafson, who was a repeat professor of Adam's.

Adams reflects about her experience as a student, saying that, "you get other peoples' ideas and that can send you off in a whole new direction." Certainly,

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Presidential Candidates to Visit UVM Campus This Week

four presidential candidates, Dr. dentsearch/. Daniel Fogel, John Anderson Fry, Ralph W. Muller and Steven G. Poskanzer, will visit this week.

"I am confident that our next president is among these exceptionally qualified, experienced leaders in higher education," said Bruce Lisman, chairman of UVM's Board of Trustees and chair of the Presidential Search Committee.

The search committee expects that candidates will visit UVM between Jan. 22 and Jan. 25, giving the university community the opportunity to learn about the candidates and provide the search committee with input.

Complete bios, resumés and photographs of the candidates are available at the following site:

The University of Vermont's http://www.uvm.edu/presi-

Each candidate will make a presentation and then entertain questions from the community.

'I am confident that our next president is among these exceptionally qualified, experienced leaders in higher education.'

-Bruce Lisman **UVM Board of Trustees**

At the conclusion of the question and answer period all are invited to join the candidate for refreshments. Students are welcome to

-University Communications

UVM Students Volunteer at Ground Zero

By CHRIS PEDLER

Images of the events of Sept. 11 will remain forever branded in the collective memory of many Americans. For 11 UVM students, however, it was not enough to witness history from behind the shield of a television screen.

Annie Willis and Keegan Tierney, co-directors of Volunteers In Action, organized an Alternate

'This is an American problem, American heartache.'

> Erin Foley **UVM** volunteer

Winter Break trip down to New York City to contribute to the relief. effort at the World Trade Center.

From Jan. 4-11, Erin Foley, Tessa Lorenze, Travis Beebee, Jolene Danian, Alexandra Crowley, Courtney Gremelsbacker, Brennan Mangan, Clare Dunnett and Laura Sforza joined the two leaders and worked in double shifts to cook hot meals and distribute food to police officers, firefighters and construction workers still working 24 hours a day to clear the remains at Ground Zero.

Although Annie helped raise \$22,000 last Fall for the victims, she wanted to know what else she could do. She felt that people wanted to help more directly, and this gave her the idea for the trip.

Foley said she was driven to experience NYC physically because she felt far away and disconnected from what happened. "This is an America problem, America heartache."

The group worked with Ground Zero Food Services, an or-

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Focus on the Honor, Not the Race

When is it a tribute and when is it re-writing history?

Debates swirl around the artist who is constructing a memorial tribute to the lost firefighters in the events of Sept. 11.

The artist is basing his sculpture on the now famous photo of the three firefighters raising the American flag at Ground Zero, which looks quite similar to the tribute to the fallen soldiers at Pearl Harbor.

So what is the controversy? The debate is on the artist's sketches for the statue, which changes the three white firefighters to one white, one black, and one Latino.

Some believe that changing the ethnicity of the firefighters is changing history, and others believe that leaving them all white doesn't truly represent all who died fighting, attempting to save thousands.

The solution to this problem is to stop squabbling about it.

These futile debates don't improve the situation.

It's not important to focus on the race of the hundreds of men lost in those buildings. What matters is that they perished trying to help countless victims. Of importance is the honor that those men will receive from that tribute, not the race of the men on the statue.

This society is dealing with enough controversy and debate, this is just one unnecessary addition. It is crucial to put things into perspective. We should stress the heroic acts those men performed, and not the color of their skin.

It didn't matter when they they were performing their duties, dying for the thousands in those buildings. Why should it mater now?

New Year's Resolutions for All of Us

As the student population settles back in for another semester at UVM, many are coming back with New Year's resolutions. From quitting smoking to going to bed earlier, many individuals will struggle with personal resolutions, difficult as they might be.

But there are some easy resolutions that the whole campus can make and fulfill to keep UVM a better place.

Act responsibly. We are all adults here, and we should behave that way, even with mom and dad hundreds of miles away. It is not that fun cannot be had by all, but don't be stupid about it.

Go to class. Simple rule. For an out-ofstate student, it has been estimated that it costs \$60 to attend each 50-minute class. That's \$60 down the drain every time class is missed. Why waste money because it is snowing out?

Don't spend the whole weekend in inside. It may be cold out, but get over it. There is no need to spend the winter wasting

away to a pale nothing while watching "Passions" and eating ice cream.

Make an effort to attend as many sporting events as possible. They're a cheap way to spend an evening, and they also help with the resolution above.

All of the sports teams need support, not just the winning ones. From the hockey team to gymnastics, every team needs to have fans.

Get to know the support staff that is critical to the functioning of the school on a daily basis. From the ladies at Alice's to the campus shuttle drivers, these folks are often ignored by most of the campus.

Talk to them, and not just about how much a bagel sandwich costs or how much longer the shuttle will be running. They are interesting people with interesting things to say.

Overall, the way to keep resolutions is to

Be kind, make an effort to be a part of the campus in all possible ways, and be responsible. But don't forget to have fun.

Goals May Be Achieved at Any Age

Hats off to Dorothy Butler Adams. At the age of 80, she received her diploma from the University of Vermont.

It's not everyday that an 80-year-old brings her perspective to the classroom. She has experienced a world war, the rise and fall of communism, and the worlds of science and technology change dramatically.

That perspective, along with her experience, has made her wiser than some of her

own professors. She has been able to shed light on many different subjects, allowing her classmates to learn as much from her as they did her professors.

It's not easy to go back to school after that long of a period. She was able to achieve her goal, a degree in history, and did not allow obstacles to get in her way.

She is proof that goals can be reached, no matter what the circumstances may be.

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Cynic Slights Validity of ADD

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to a recent article in the Cynic, which I think did not provide all sides of the story.

The article was about Ritalin abuse on the UVM campus. While I agree that this does occur and it is a problem that needs to be addressed, I cannot agree with the one-sidedness of the article.

I do not think the article provided any information about ADD/ADHD or the benefits Ritalin has for these disorders.

The comment in the article "Thediagnosis of ADD is a joke" struck a chord in me. I understand that ADD/ADHD are often over diagnosed, but that does not mean that the disorders do not exist.

I have ADHD and take twenty milligrams of Ritalin everyday. I only wish that people who thought ADD/ADHD was a joke could spend a day in my body just to see how difficult everyday activities are for me.

It really shocks me that the well-educated students at UVM would abuse a drug that I need to survive my daily activities.

Stephanie Pearson Class of 2002

Kantor Misses Point of Protest

To the Editor:

Mr. Kantor has some valid points in his most recent column. Unfortunately, he chose to bury those points under his usual complaints about the International Socialist Organization, which he seems to be convinced is an arm of the Russian or Chinese intelligence services.

Don't get me wrong, I disagree with the ISO on many points, but I also happen to disagree with Mr. Kantor on many points. I do agree that having marijuana in a campus vehicle was an irresponsible decision, especially when protesting at a military base, and hopefully the ISO will apologize for the blunder of one of their own by paying the impound fee out of their personal finances.

But Mr. Kantor is missing the point of the protest. Fort Benning was, until recently, the School of the Americas or "America's Enemies Academy." Just like Afghan commanders were trained expertly to kill Soviets and later used their knowledge against America, many of the worst and most dangerous dictators and violators of human rights in Latin America, were taught their skills at the School of the Americas.

Am I angry about my father's money possibly being used to fund a van that a small group of individuals got impounded in Georgia? Sure, but I'm also angry, that my paycheck gets deducted every week so that a future thug can learn how to torture people.

I don't mind at all that some of the student fee paid in my name went to the protest.

While the government is much better than many groups, liberal and conservative, may claim, it isn't perfect. We need to stop teaching our enemies how to fight us and how to kill innocent people speaking out against their regime in hideously painful ways.

If we really want to guarantee a more peaceful future with fewer terrorists acts, we could certainly do worse than close the school at Fort Benning.

> Dan Seitz Class of 2004

U.S. Support for Israel Essential

To the Editor:

I readily put forward a reasonable dissent to the apologist to Palestinian and Islamic terror espoused by the morally obtuse.

These apologists have been stricken with a bizarre case of tunnel-vision. They view Yasser Arafat as the solution to the Middle East conflict- he is in fact the very antithesis of peace.

By rejecting the unprecedented concessions by the Barak Labor Government, he showed its true colors. He does not desire a co-existence with Israel; Arafat seeks its very destruction. Arafat's government cannot disassociate itself from Hamas or Islamic Jihad because those terrorist organizations are the dogs and Arafat's PLO government their tail.

If no other positive effect emerged from the tragedies of Sept.11, the West's eyes have been violently opened to the firsthand experience and understanding the plight of the State of Israel.

We must firmly defend the interests of the West from the Golan Heights to the Brooklyn Heights and eliminate those people, groups, and regimes that sponsor terrorism. I for one will not be party to a Second Holocaust.

Fellow democracies do not truckle to

the terror and violence of authoritarian regimes. Israel is our staunchest ally in the Middle East as well as the region's sole stable liberal democracy. Israel, America's aircraft carrier and beacon of liberty in a sea of authoritarian sewers, will stand proudly in the war against the regimes endemic and fundamentally hostile to the ideals of peace, freedom, and democracy.

Only through a vigilant containment and an unflinching proclamation of raw American credibility, resolve, greatness, and victory will those terrorists begin to understand that Israel and America will stand shoulder to shoulder in staunch defiance of those who would dare strike at the very citadels of hope and freedom.

It is time to jettison the Powell Alliance system that coddles the Arab thugocracys and clerics to form a posse to move from Kandahar to Baghdad and settle in a unified Jerusalem, the true capitol of Israel.

A new era has been ushered into America — one that will eradicate the Arab regimes who pay blood money to assassins of Israelis and Americans.

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Chris Krueger Class of 2002

Bring Back Gymnastics!

To the Editor,

Save Gymnastics! The UVM gymnastics teams exemplify everything that our state should want out of our scholar athletes. There are not two teams at UVM that fulfill the academic mission of this university better than the gymnasts!

Last year the men's team won the NCAA Men's Gymnastics Academic National Championship, with the women's team ranked fifth out of the 27 teams at UVM.

My understanding was that scholarship came first...since when was "Winning is Everything" the motto of UVM sports?

They have worked hard and experienced personal and team success, competing against other varsity programs throughout the U.S.

These athletes receive no scholarship aid and as a combined team bring in an excess of half a million tuition dollars! UVM receives \$26,000 (which exceeds the gymnastics operating budget) from the NCAA for offering women's and men's gymnastics. All or most of this will be

lost if UVM follows with its plans to cut!

These young men and women have made positive contributions to the University and are outstanding role models for the children in Vermont!

They should be rewarded for their efforts, not denied the opportunity to compete and forced to transfer to other schools for advanced learning.

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As a taxpayer, community member, area gymnastics' coach, physical education teacher and parent, I was angered and saddened to think that this is the direction that UVM is taking it's sports' programs.

As students, you need to think about philosophy you want to represent you — and let the Administration and Trustees know about it!

UVM's trustees, student body, and the people of Vermont need to reconsider what is important at our state's institution of higher learning!

> Ruth Dunkley McGowan Jericho, Vermont

Socialists Sucker Student Government



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

order to be eligible for SGA recognition a group shall not allow nonstudent participation in their organization and activities.

should a club or organization wish to justify a temporary non-student role they may petition the Student Activities Committee for approval. This information was taken directly from the SGA Constitution.

The above is difficult for one particular organization on campus to understand, so let's break it down. A non-student is anyone who is not a student, and 'organization and activities' refers to the stuff that a group does. The definition of 'No' is also at question here. Well, 'No means no' goes the phrase.

Last semester when our campus Socialists took an SGA van down to trespass on Fort Benning, they asked if they could take some non-student protesters with them. SGA said No. The Socialists took one down there anyway.

Why would they do this? Easy explanation: the Socialists simply misinterpreted the rules. They misinterpreted No.

Perhaps that's what happened down at Fort Benning. The

group misinterpreted their directions, misinterpreted the warning signs at the entrance to Fort Benning, misinterpreted the fact that pot is currently illegal, and apparently misinterpreted base security when the MPs told them to leave.

That blame-everyone-butourselves excuse didn't work down there but it sure does up here. Ignorance, or even feigned ignorance, of the rules is an acceptable excuse with the SGA. Nobody is being held accountable for the reckless misuse of our vehicle last semester.

Judicial Affairs won't get involved unless an issue is relevant to the 'safety and welfare' of students. Apparently trespassing on a military facility during wartime has nothing to do with the 'safety and welfare' of students.

Why do we come down so hard on sports teams and fraternities but let this misguided group of self-described radicals off the hook.

They may send the freshman that was busted with drugs to a mandatory consultation with a drug and alcohol counselor but other than that they want nothing to do with it. SGA has done nothing but make the Socialists pay to have the van transported back to UVM.

Why does the school come down so hard on sports teams and fraternities and NEVER give them the benefit of the doubt, but leave a matter such as this to the SGA? Why the double standard?

Whether for lack of will or lack of leadership, the SGA is not acting like an effective student government

Why are sports teams and fraternities always automatically assumed to be in the wrong and usually immediately suspended?

Why now do we believe the most ridiculous excuses and let this misguided group of self-described radicals off the hook?

The SGA executive committee is either gullible or complicit in its acceptance of the ISO's excuses. They take our money every semester and as such, are answerable to us.

The rules in this case are crystal clear. The International Socialists, with SGA's blessing, are failing to take responsibility for their actions. Whether for lack of will or lack of leadership, our student government is not acting like an effective government.

What does this tell the administration other that we cannot govern ourselves? What does this say to our insurance carrier? What does this say to you?

Where's the Love for Hockey?

To the Editor,

I sat in the cafeteria with seven other peers of mine eating the best food that UVM has to offer on a Wednesday night. As I watched the oil flow out of the tortilla of my chicken fajita, I needed something to take my mind off the orange puddle on my plate, I asked, "So who is going to the hockey game this weekend?" Silence.

I thought no one heard me because they were enjoying their fajitas so much. I asked again, but again no one said anything. I heard someone say they were thinking about watching Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure for the 700th time because they had nothing else to do. I could not believe it, nothing else to do?

Our very own University of Vermont hockey team is playing an inter-conference home game and of the seven people at the table, none of them showed any

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interest in the game.

I was so appalled and insulted. I am a hockey fan of all kinds, but this goes beyond my love for the game which has treated this institution so well since the induction of the sport 75 years ago.

This is about school spirit and showing support for your friends and classmates you see in the halls

and allow to copy off your homework.

This is about supporting a team who only has a 10-day Christmas break because they have to return to the university early (without being allowed in the dorms) and represent this school with pride.

This is about school spirit and showing support for your friends and classmates you see in the halls and allow to copy off your homework.

It is about a head coach who has been coaching here for 17 seasons. It is about watching two guys who we all could be watching on ESPN in three years beating Curtis Joseph glove-side.

This is about a team which does not win as much as we would like them to, but can bring this school together for one night in Gutterson Arena for a few hours at a time.

The hockey team is UVM's form of a big school football team. So do not look at the win-loss column when considering whether or not to attend a game.

Think about your five weeks that you had off for break and then tell yourself that you will come back to school reinvigorated with school spirit by enthusiastically attending all of the remaining home games.

Hopefully, I will see everyone there.

Scott Woodruff Class of 2003

Deregulating Markets Is Not the Answer

Since the Reagan era, Republicans have championed the idea of deregulation as a way to free the economy from inefficient, expensive constraints and allow a freer market to produce increasing wealth that would benefit everyone.

If the Enron scandal and the recent California energy crisis doesn't prove to everyone that deregulation is dangerous and irresponsible then conservatives will only appear trapped in an ideology that, cannot be squared with reality.

A deregulated market assumes, among other things, that public corporations accurately represent their accounting statistics.

Every large corporation employs a horde of accountants and tax lawyers to maximize profits, retain cash and avoid

Enron has avoided taxes altogether in four of the last five years.

paying taxes. Enron engaged in a much more serious degree of shady behavior.

They created over 880 subsidiary companies overseas through which they would conduct business so as to avoid paying American tax on profits. Enron has avoided taxes altogether in four of the last five years.

And, like the California energy crisis, those responsible for

the market fixing the companies that cut power supply to artificially inflate prices; and the executives who knowingly cooked the books, sold short, misled employees with cheery predictions and encouragements to buy stock and walked away with over \$1 billion. They came out rich, and the consumers and ordinary workers got hosed.

The federal government exists to maintain a structure of fairness whereby those with vast sums of money or special access to power cannot freely manipulate and take advantage of those trying simply to live humbly and hon-estly.

That's what we had a revolution for, and that's what most of our politicians, starry-eyed Reaganera artists especially, seem to have turned their backs on.

Chris Pedler is a Cynic columnist and a member of the class of 2003.



Convenience a Priority at Marché



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Students enjoy lunch in the University Marché while watching others walk to

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rant-quality food at a reasonable price and at the same time spread some grocery in there for the students and offer them variety." said Riani.

While most students agree that the food is good, many think that the prices of foods at dining

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services on campus are not at all reasonable. "You don't even look at the prices when you're buying anything. And all of a sudden when they're ringing it up you're like, 'I just paid seven dollars for this? What was I thinking?," sophomore Melissa Holmes says as she looks down at her halfeaten salad.

Sophomore Kristin Kovel agrees. "You don't even think about it. I think the actual cooked food has decent prices but the groceries are too expensive."

Another customer, Jonathan Mann, says that although the food is expensive, it's an easy way to get a good meal. "You don't have to walk all the way to main campus or downtown. It's convenient."

Along with convenience, UDS is also trying to cater to the major trends and consumer desires of college students. "We've developed a larger product variety list than what we were able to provide at Alice's. We're also representing a greater portion of vegetarianism and veganism," says Riani.

In addition to the new Marché, Alice's has changed as well.

Once the main market center on East Campus, most of the products were moved next door and it has become a quickie mart for students on the go.

"Alice's has really become kind of the express area," Riani said. "The place you go to get your bagel or a coffee in the morning.'

New foods, better variety, and a place to see and be seen are the major things that fitfully describe the Marché. With around three thousand transactions on opening day and no indication that business will slow down, the Marché is a must see at the University of Vermont.

Adams Graduates at 80

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the same holds true for how students perceived her. At her age, she brings experience to the class that others could not have had.

In Melany Gustafson's US Women's History class, students read about Eleanor Roosevelt. Students were going around a circle, talking about what they had learned. "People in class had obviously done the reading," says Adams, "they were using up the material very rapidly and I thought, 'what on earth am I going to say.' So I finally said in my head, 'the heck with it,' so when it got to me I said, 'I can't add anything except that I met her twice."

Life experience aside, Adams still has not mastered the comput-

She did her schoolwork on a typewriter, surprising most professors who hadn't seen typewritten work in years.

On visiting the campus library, having to extract information from the UVM network or Internet, she would use age to her advantage saying, "I'm a little old lady and I don't know how to use vour computers; would you please help me?" The librarians helped her, of course.

Adam's college career, 120 credits later, was not only a success, but also reason for Interim President Colodny to single Adams out at the luncheon for December graduates.

He called her up to the microphone and gave her a big hug and said, "I wish you all success in your job search." A roar exploded from the audience.

Speaking of UVM, Adams enjoyed going through school at

"It was a marvelous experience," she beams, "from the teachers to the administration to the students. I love it!"

Educator Publishes Controversial Material

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Griffin explained.

The Anti-Defamation League argues that the American Renaissance journal and website is racist. "I'd say from my standpoint it's (the article) coming out of an organization that wants to see and talk about minorities as less able than whites," said Gail Gans, director of the Civil Rights Information Center at the Anti-Defamation League.

"They're kind of a polite racist organization. They're really insidious."

Samuel Jared Taylor, founder and editor of the journal, describes the publication as enlightening. "You'll find very few inaccuracies on our website," said Taylor. "I would say to call something racist is essentially name-calling. To say something is racist is essentially meaningless."

Griffin also questions the notion of characterizing his work

as "racist." "Racist' is a club used to put people on the defensive, intimidate, marginalize, and demonize them, and legitimize mistreating them," he stated.

Griffin has also published "Sports in the Lives of Children and Adolescents: Success on the Field and In Life."

His article "Rearing Honorable White Children: Instilling Racial Identity in Today's Children," may be found at www.amren.com.

Students Volunteer At World Trade Center Site

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-ganization set up in the wake of the event, at Seaman's Church, located a few blocks from the fenced-off pit that exists where the towers once stood.

There, they made hamburgers, hotdogs, chili, pasta, scrambled eggs, bacon, French toast and sausages for any police officers or construction workers who would come in.

"It didn't really matter what I was doing," Mangan said. "We were doing what had to be done. I was just glad to be involved in the process of reconstruction."

To Lorenze, who knew the city very well, it seemed unfamiliar. Streets were going the wrong way; everything had been rearranged in the financial district to accommodate the enormous relief effort.

Of the pit where the World Trade Center once stood, all

'The whole week was kind of a whirlwind, but it made me see how so little can do so much.'

> Brennan Mangan **UVM Volunteer**

agreed it looked merely like a huge construction site, but they were stunned by the magnitude of it, how enormous it was, and how hard it was to put in perspective. "It's one of those things that you have to see for yourself," Erin said.

However, they were not there to gawk at a big hole in the ground, Brennan said, and it was

easy to put emotions aside, do the job and focus.

The walls were covered with flags and letters, but beneath a tattered and singed flag and beaten and rusted firehouse sign that had hung outside that day, there was an uplifting atmosphere.

Three members of the group spent five days cooking at Firehouse 1010, which looks out directly onto the ground where the towers stood. The walls were covered with flags and letters, but beneath a tattered and singed flag and the beaten and rusted firehouse sign that had hung outside that day, there was an uplifting atmosphere.

The firefighters were greatly interested in the students and their reasons for coming. Without exception, all of the rescue workers showed incredible gratitude to the volunteers. "Firefighters and police thanked us a million times for coming down," Lorenze said. "I was like, Are you joking? Thank you.'

As they left the firehouse for the last time, one firefighter said: "I feel like I should give you something. Here, take my cell

"The whole week was kind of a whirlwind," Mangan said, "but it made me see how so little can do so much. You don't need certification to help somebody. Kindness and time is all you

Cynical Inquisition

Compiled by Jason Robinson

Can you name a candidate considered for the UVM presidency? If you had the choice, who would you elect to president?



'Smith? Nelson Mandela." Erin O'Grady, 2005, Undecided



"No. Pee Wee Herman." Megan Wilson, 2005, Undecided



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Cave In Shines in New Album *Jupiter*

Fast and furious is the best way to describe Cave In.

The band is a tad bit too intense for mainstream marketing, but great nonetheless.

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Vocalist Stephen Brodsky sings high and nasal, but with a good range and a lot of energy, particularly noticeable when he lapses briefly into a heavy-metallike screech in "Big Riff."

The songs vary in mood, but tend to be loud, fast, and powerful.

The last track, "New Moon," fools the audience, starting off

with a calm melody and beautiful lyrics, then suddenly changing its mind halfway through, reverting to the album's general tone.

Jupiter's lyrics are esoteric to the point of being nonsense ("You're another coat of red in hell/ Kill this child to make sure I'd raise him well") but this common blunder is excused by the raw energy and power of the band.

Really fine tracks include "Jupiter," "Big Riff," "Requiem," and "New Moon."

So pick up a copy of *Jupiter* and enjoy it, because the band is in the midst of a European tour and probably won't be back in town for a while

-Staff Report



Photo Courtesy of the RCA Records Label

Cave In recently released their album Jupiter.

Deep Banana Blackout to Play Two Vermont Shows in February

Backed by the usual rigorous touring schedule, 2001 was another whirlwind year for Deep Banana Blackout, who will continue to bring its infectious show to venues across the country. After having played eight shows supporting the highly revered

DBB will be playing a
FREE show Sunday, Feb. 9
at 4 p.m., at the Magic Hat
Mardi Gras Festival on
Church Street.

Allman Brothers Band, Deep Banana Blackout is now heading out on its own for the second leg of a yearlong tour. The band is on the road in support of its new CD, Feel the Peel.

You'd better believe that after churning out two well-received albums, Live in the Thousand Islands (1997) and Rowdy Duty (1999), and over 150 of the funkiest performances of 2000, Deep Banana Blackout earned the backing and support of legendary drummer and Flying Frog Records founder, Butch Trucks, for its third release enti-



Photo Courtesy of So What Media

Deep Banana Blackout will play two Vermont shows next month.

tled, Feel the Peel. And, with producer Tom Dowd (Allman Brother Band, Eric Clapton, John Coltrane) on board, this new CD is bound to please not only diehard DBB fans but a broad radio audience as well. Feel the Peel can really attract anyone: fans of old school funk, fans of jazz, pop, rock, whatever. It has a more concise feel to it, shorter tracks, more continuity. It's very radio friendly.

DBB is composed of gui-

tarist James "Fuzz" San Giovanni, drummer Eric Kalb, bassist Benji LeFevre, Johnny Durkin on percussion, Hope Clayburn as lead vocals/flute/sax, Rob Somerville on sax/vocals, Cyrus Madan on keyboard/vocals, and Brian Smith on trombone.

DBB's incessant touring and high-energy playing demonstrates the deep love, respect, and enthusiasm they have for what they do.

-Press Release

DDD is composed of gui-

Cold Sides Leaves You Cold

Hope they have something better on the way...Cold Sides' self-titled debut album is hard to classify as rock, alternative, or maybe the forerunner in new trends in music, but most listeners aren't going to care enough to try.

The album might make good background music at a really boring party somewhere, but that's about it

The worst thing about the

album is the lead singer, Robert Biggers. His nasal voice drones on, too quiet to be heard over the rest of the band.

They experiment briefly with a harp in one track, making their best effort at creating a melancholy mood.

However, they don't quite do it, achieving what, to be put politely, is pitiful.

-Staff Report

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The Lord of the Rings: A Long-Awaited Masterpiece

By MARY KATE GUCCION

While Peter Jackson's interpretation of J. R. R. Tolkien's masterpiece has been out for over a month now, one must pay homage to this magnificent film.

Given the popularity of the trilogy and its literary significance, Jackson wisely keeps to the original story as much as pos-

Jackson chose instead to remain as true to Tolkien as possible, and produced a film about duty, perseverance, and friendship.

sible. Some sacrifices had to be made, of course, given time and budget limits.

We lose most of the hobbits' journey out of the Shire, including Tom Bombadil and the Barrow-Downs.

However, Jackson borrows heavily from *the Hobbit* and *the Silmarillion* to catch up viewers unfamiliar with the story.

Jackson's production of the The Lord of the Rings is even

more remarkable in that it was technically an impossibility.

Tolkien did not have a contract with Hollywood in mind when he was writing.

The books are far too violent to be made into a children's movie, and female roles are few and minor, ruling out any appeal for many adults.

Jackson could have butchered the story to meet Hollywood's demands.

But Jackson chose instead to remain as true to Tolkien as possible, and produced a film not about cuteness or romance, but about duty, perseverance, and friendship.

The decision to convert timeless classics into movies is often criticized.

- -"Kids don't read enough."
- -"It ruins the book."
- -"Watching TV and movies is so passive."

Regarding The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring, however, these arguments are moot.

We don't have time to wait to emphasize honor and faith while

education is properly reformed so that children's literacy is improved.

While critics may grumble at how Jackson should have left

Those people who love to read will still be intrigued by the books, seeing that Jackson had to leave a lot of lore, history, and secondary characters out.

Tolkien's classic alone, the story's underlying themes of duty, represented by Frodo's free decision to embark on the dangerous quest, and friendship, as shown by Sam's absolute loyalty to Frodo are now available to so many more people.

As for the fear of destroying the book, Jackson lifts whole conversations, such as the chat between Frodo and Gandalf in Moria, and diagrams, like the gate to the mines, directly from the page, respecting Tolkien's love and commitment to his saga of Middle-earth.

He had to rearrange the

treachery of Saruman for the movie to make sense, and make some cuts to stay under the threehour time limit, but he stayed as close to the original story as pos-

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The beauty of the original books remains, and finally has this fantastic interpretation to accompany it.

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Heat Wave Strikes Patrick Gym



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What a difference a month can make. Last time many of you were on campus, the only thing on your mind was

Ben Dickie only thing on Sports Columnist your mind was

finishing your last final and heading home for the holidays. The men's hoops team was sitting at 4-3, and many were not really sure what to think of

A big contributor from last year's team didn't return, and right away two players who expected to see a lot of playing time (Scotty Jones and Corey Sullivan) both looked as if they were going to have to sit out the season with medical redshirts.

This is all coming from a team that finished 12-17 the year before and at one time sported an 11-game losing streak. I don't think there is any level of uncertainty now though, as the Cats look to continue to roll out their school

The Cats have been rolling on a 12-game win streak.

record 12-game win streak that has them sitting at 14-3.

It must be a theme in New England this year, all of the sudden your team starts to play well and everyone is a fan. Just ask the Patriots.

In Vermont's first three home games of the regular season, the average attendance was 1,333 and I think I could count the number of students there on my hands.

Compare that to the last three men's home games that have seen Patrick Gym as packed as ever to the tune of 2,959 on average.

The past two games people have even been sitting in the isles because it has been so packed. And finally we are starting to see some steady student support.

If it takes a winner for you to walk over to the gym, then so be it, but what ever you do let's try to keep it up. The atmosphere has

The men and women's teams have been on fire at home.

just been great recently and the players respond to it. If you haven't been to a game lately, you have been missing out.

Just last week sophomore T.J. Sorrentine went off, netting a school record 11 three-pointers and finishing the night with 45 points.

The men's team is 7-1 at home this year, but they are not the only ones who have been successful at Patrick Gym.

Let's not forget about the women's basketball team, who themselves sit tied atop the America East Conference. As I write this piece, they are 8-6 overall and 3-1 in their conference.

The women have had a short bench this season, but have had solid contributions from the five freshmen that make up half of their roster.

They have been just as impressive at home this season, going 5-1 with the only loss coming at the hands of the third-ranked team in the country at the time, Vanderbilt. In their five home wins the average margin of victory has been 23.

So get out of your room and go see a game.

Jump on the bandwagon while it's still hot.

Even when they are not at home, you can keep track of what is taking place on the road by visiting http://www.uvm.edu/athletics/. It is not too often that Vermont has two basketball teams playing as well as they have, so let's take advantage of it.

Cats Take Winning Streak to 12



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

Senior co-captain Trevor Gaines shoots over a Northeastern defender in the Cats' 12th straight victory.

By LISA OBRENTZ

With their latest win over Northeastern University Thursday night, the Catamounts continue their record-breaking win streak.

The 102-87 win over the Huskies, puts the streak at 12, topping the previous 10 straight in the 1923-1924 season.

'The fans were rocking and rolling. The whole thing was just pretty... It was the greatest show I've ever

-Tom Brennan
Men's Basketball Coach

The team win-streak record is not the only record being broken.

Sophomore T.J. Sorrentine hit 11 3-point goals, setting a new school record and contributing 45 points overall.

Acapulco

"I was a little nervous," said

Sorrentine. "I couldn't hit a shot in warm-ups."

The UVM fans have been coming out in numbers to follow and support the team during its successful run.

"This is big-time basketball atmosphere," said Coach Tom Brennan.

"The fans were rocking and rolling. The whole thing was just pretty... It was the greatest show I've ever seen."

Senior co-captain Trevor Gaines agreed. "It's a beautiful thing. In the four years I've been here, I've never seen anything like it."

The Cats have not been receiving attention from their fans alone. They have been gaining support and attention from media and polls around the country.

Vermont has been most recently ranked 19 in the National Mid Major Top 25 by Collegeinsider.com.

'We're really focused," said Gaines. "We really believe that nobody can stop us, nobody.'

-Trevor Gaines Senior co-captain

They have also received national coverage from ESPN and USA Today. UVM's current record is 14-3 overall, 7-0 in America East.

The team is not dwelling on the past, but is keeping their eyes on the rest of the current season, especially with more conference games approaching.

"We're really focused," said Gaines. "We really believe that nobody can stop us, nobody."

The Vermont Cynic is currently looking for a sports editor.

For more information e-mail: vcsports@zoo.uvm.edu

Catamounts Snap Losing Streak

A goal each from Ryan Cox and Jeff Miles, and a flawless performance by goalie Shawn Conshafter powered the Catamounts to a 2-0 win over archrival Clarkson on Saturday evening.

MEN'S HOCKEY

The win was Vermont's third of the season and the Catamounts first ever shutout against Clarkson in 69 games.

"The win was very emotional," Vermont coach Mike Gilligan said. "I thought we got a couple of bounces tonight for a change, and we played very, very well without the puck in our zone. And Shawn was fabulous."

Vermont took a 1-0 lead off a power-play goal from senior captain Ryan Cox at 4:21 of the first period tipped in a Ryan Miller shot past Clarkson goalkeeper Mike Walsh. John Longo recorded an assist on the play. Sophomore Jeff Miles closed out the scoring for the Cats early in the third period, posting his fifth goal of the season.

Clarkson, 9-8-4 overall and 5-1-3 in the ECAC, outshot Vermont, 33-27, in the game. Vermont climbs to 3-14-2 overall and 3-6-1 in ECAC play.

-Staff Report

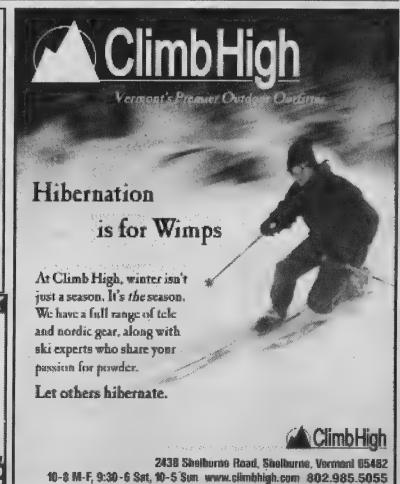
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UVM Shuttle Drivers Fear Subcontracting



Andy Duback/VC Staff

UVM students board the bus outside Billings Student Center. The shuttle system is in danger of being outsourced to a private contractor.

By BRANDON JOHNSON

The UVM administration is currently deciding whether to subcontract its shuttle service. Shuttle drivers, many students and members of the Student Government Association see problems with the plan.

For over a year and a half, Bill Ballard of Facilities Services has been deciding whether to bring in a private company to run the shuttles.

Last Fall, Ballard allowed companies to submit proposals of how they would operate the buses that continuously ferry students to and from UVM's three campuses.

Heather Reimer, who works with United Electric, the union which represents the shuttle drivers and many other workers at UVM, has begun a petition to make sure Bill Ballard knows

how the students, faculty and staff feel about the subcontracting plans.

"We think that it's really unfair that the university's trying to outsource when there's no problem with the shuttles, particularly since this would cause employees to lose their jobs," Reimer said.

Reimer met with a group of over 30 students last week to energize the petition campaign which has generated over 1,000 signatures.

The intent of the petitions is to ensure that shuttle drivers will not lose their pay, benefits and seniority and that students, faculty and that staff will be involved in future decisions concerning the

SGA President Bill Tickner believes students deserve a voice in the issue since students' transportation and parking fees fund the shuttle service.

"The student fees we pay should go to things we want," Tickner said.

On the shuttle buses, many students have been quick to side with the spirit of the petition. "All the bus drivers have great personalities and have great relationships with the students," freshman Jamie Fisher said. "It seems that UVM hasn't taken into account how the entire school community

The petitions will be presented to Bill Ballard this week and he is set to make a decision by early February about proceeding with the subcontracting plan.

one driver, "Subcontracting certainly wouldn't be good for us."

University Fields Largest Applicant Pool in Years

By KRISTIN DOBBS

Applications for fall of 2002 admission to the University of Vermont are 20 percent higher than applications for fall of 2001, making the 2002 applicant pool the largest in over 15 years.

Admissions will sort through approximately 9,400 applications, up from 7,891 last year, to determine who will comprise the class

Don Honeman, Director of Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, attributes a part of the increase to the academic standard that UVM is upholding.

"Our message is that we are a serious academic institution," said Honeman. "We have retooled the way Admissions has presented this academic institution."

One of the key implements in presenting the university to prospective students is the recent addition of the Advocat program three years ago.

The Advocats take students on daily tours, speak at accepted student receptions, and also hold interviews.

Senior Lori Masuda, who is an Advocat working closely with both Admissions and Residential Life, sees a positive change with the Advocat program and other measures Admissions is taking.

"More students have been asking about first-year programs



Andy Duback/VC Staff Don Honeman stands next to piles of recently submitted appli-

and special interest housing," said

Masuda.

"They want to know about TAP programs, Beginnings, and other special things UVM has to

College of Arts and Sciences Dean Joan Smith believes that the word about the enhanced programs, including TAP programs, has finally gotten around.

"We have a superb faculty and superb programs;" Smith said. "The programs, such as our John Dewey Honors Program, has shown a parallel growth in applications."

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Director of ROTC Program Speaks

Andy Duback/VC Staff

Lt. Col. Albert Turgeon assembles a camping stove for a weekend backpacking trip at the Military Studies building at University Heights.

By ANDY DUBACK

From the major European CINC in Germany to the warembattled Korea to The Center Of Army Lessons Learned in Kansas, the U.S. Army has certainly offered Lt. Col Albert Turgeon, director of Vermont's ROTC programs, not only geographical diversity, but intellectual challenges, too.

"I had a diverse set of experiences in my 22 years with the army," said Turgeon. But the addition of yet another experience for Turgeon is no longer concrete: the

Stationed at UVM since July, Turgeon says that leading a ROTC program is, "A divergent path that most officers take when they are in the twilight of their career getting ready to leave the army . . . there isn't really a formal course to learn how to be a professor in military

prospect of a new locale.

"But they expect that with a college degree and your experiences that you can come in and take on that task." By no means is this idle time for the Lieutenant

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Career Services Helps Students Facing Tough Job-Market

By ALEX ANDREWS

As graduation approaches, many seniors are apprehensive about entering into the job-market of a recession economy.

After the booming economy that spanned most of the 1990's, this concern is new to college graduates.

Fortunately, UVM's Career Services department is equipped to help students prepare for what faces them in this troubled jobmarket.

With 68 percent participation among undergraduates, Career Services can offer valuable information on what lies ahead on the road to employment.

Experts advise that students give themselves plenty of time to prepare for their careers.

"It's important to start planning Fearly," Said David Lounsbury, Assistant Director of Career Services.

Lounsbury also emphasized the importance of identifying one's goals. "If you don't know what your passions and goals are, it can be challenging to move forward," said Lounsbury.

"Career Services can provide the tools to better understand yourself and to achieve your goals."

UVM's According to Department of Institutional Studies, 90 percent of last year's graduating class achieved their goals of finding employment, while only one percent reported being unable to find a position; others pursued graduate school.

"One of our main objectives is to teach students how to transfer the skills they have attained here at UVM to the working world," said Alumni Career Program Coordinator Mary Barritt.

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University Police Issue Citations to **Closed Doors**

By LEE HIGGINS

UVM Police Services have been issuing citations to undergraduates for not opening their

According to UVM Police Chief Gary Margolis, the practice is nothing new.

Margolis expects officers to take action if there is a heavy suspicion that marijuana or alcohol is being used inside a dorm room and the occupant doesn't open the door at an officer's request.

"I expect they're going to do something or answer to me," Margolis said of his officers. "They're expected to use their professional judgment to make the best decision they can."

While by law a student does not have to open their door at an

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Atmosphere on Campus Needs Work

It's snowing, it's cold and cabin fever is spreading fast. Bored and claustrophobic, what is one to do?

Skiing is an option, but it's an expensive one and the possibility of injury can be too great for some.

There are other options which many students take, but they most likely leave students with a letter from Judicial Affairs, so those options are ill-advised.

So what is a student on campus supposed to do on the weekends?

The university certainly doesn't help when it comes to providing plenty of activities.

"Winter Blitz" came and went with most events passing without notice.

The school must make an effort to provide interesting activities more often to help bring back some sense of a campus atmos-

Think campus involvement and atmosphere aren't important to the school overall? Think again.

The freshmen retention rate isn't nearly as high as it should be, and many students who left felt that there was no sense of campus · community.

Many others plan to leave for the same

Not everyone is a sports fan, and not everyone has a car. As the weather worsens, the desire to walk all the way downtown is less appealing.

That means that most of the campus population is bundled up in the dorms, wasting their weekends away.

The school needs to pay attention to the students' issues, including those of recreation.

If the students had something to do around the campus, then they might be less likely to be in their rooms engaging in activites that give the university a bad reputation.

The cycle must no longer continue.

Get the population out from under the flourescent lights of the dorm rooms and back into feeling like a community.

Bush Is Going About It the Right Way

Hundreds of al-Qaeda are being captured and flown to the new detainee camp in Cuba. With the establishment of the camp, the Bush administration has taken another step to ensure the end of terrorism in a sensible man-

International inspectors are keeping a watchful eye on Camp X-Ray, making sure that these detainees are not being mistreated.

The detainees are not being classified as prisoners of war, because that would allow them certain #ghts until international law.

Ever since the attacks on Sept. 11, Bush's administration has been working hard to take a thorough and level-headed approach to winning the war on terrorism and make the world a safer place.

It has proven to be effective, as detainees who are suspected to be involved and connected with al-Qaeda and the spread of terrorism are flown into camps.

Finding those responsible for the actions of Sept. 11 has proven to be a difficult task. But Bush and his administration will not back

It would be easy to go and convict everyone suspected to be involved with terrorism. but the U.S. is not taking that approach.

The handling of John Walker is a fine example of how the Bush administration is handling these situations.

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opinion pieces and reserves the right to edit

all pieces for length. Please limit letters to

The fact that he was not convicted in a military tribunal for just supporting and fighting with the Taliban shows that Bush's administration will only charge those who have been found responsible for planning or executing the actions of Sept. 11.

He will be tried in a public court, and so should every member of al-Qaeda who is connected to the terrorist actions.

Bush and his administration will not stoop to the level of the Taliban by taking blind revenge on everyone who supports their

Even though a majority of Americans are against the ideas of the Taliban, by no means should they all be punished for having a set of

Trying these members of the Taliban publicly will show that the U.S. is making the right decision. They are not prisoners of war, and the government is not treating them that way. The U.S. will try those found connected in a criminal court rather than torture them.

This will prove that the U.S. can once again fight the war of terrorism without compromising the principles that the country was founded upon.

The United States must pride itself upon being a free and civil country and use the treatment of the detainees as an example for countries around the world.

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Save the Campus Shuttles

To the Editor:

The UVM administration is considering subcontracting out the Shuttle Service even though there have been no complaints with the current service and the department runs well within its budget. If this happens, the current drivers would all lose their jobs. They could apply for their old positions, but with no guarantee of the same wages, benefits, seniority or working condi-

We call on the UVM Administration to stop any plans to subcontract out the Shuttle Service until they can assure us of the following: the current shuttle drivers and mechanics be guaranteed a job with the subcontractor without losing pay, benefits or seniority; that the

subcontractor will not make a profit from our student and parking fees by cutting the frequency or quality of the shuttle service; that drivers will have the same level of experience and safety training as the current drivers; and that the university involve students, faculty, and staff in its decision to subcontract the shuttle service.

Until UVM can guarantee that these stipulations be met under their new plans, we call upon the administration to keep the current quality shuttle service thriving at UVM.

If you would like more information, please contact Heather Reimer at 658-6788 or at ue267@sover.net.

> Heather Reimer UE Local 267 Ground Organizer

Who Wants Peace? Not the PLO

At the heart of the Middleastern conflict is the fact that virtually none of the Arab world recognizes Israel's right to exist. The Arab-initiated wars of 1948, 1967 and 1973 proved this quite clearly to the world. In all three wars, Israeli forces, despite being heavily outnumbered and out-armed, overcame the odds and staved off their enemies. War time law dictates that a state capturing territory while fighting a defensive war is fully entitled to that captured land.

Yet, for the sake of peace in the region, Israel ceded land back to the same Arab nations that attacked them. This happened on numerous occasions, including the return of 90 percent of the territories won during the Six-Day War in 1967. Israel has always been willing to trade land for peace.

The Arabs have been reluctant at best to make this trade. In the 1993 Oslo Accords, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzchak Rabin handed over considerable land and arms to the Palestinian Authority for a promise of peace from

Instead of increased respect and peace, though, the Palestinians have used the Israeli-supplied weapons (provided for Palestinian self-rule) against Israeli citizens. As a result, more Israeli civilians have been killed since the signing of Oslo than in the previous 40+ years that Israel has existed.

The Palestinians' latest campaign of violence, the Al-Aqsa Intifada, has claimed the lives of more than 300 innocent Israelis in more than 10,000 terrorist attacks over the last 16 months.

It is clear Arafat and the Palestinians are not interested in any form of peace.

Sharon has repeatedly offered to negotiate with Palestinian officials if they stop violence for just seven days. Yet, Palestinians have not been willing to compromise. This was made clear at Camp David when Arafat was offered 96 percent of what he wanted and still rejected Barak's offer.

It was made even clearer by the Israeli interception of a massive shipment of arms heading for Gaza to be used as part of the bloody Intifada just two weeks ago.

While many want to place blame on both sides and create a moral equivalence between checkpoints and murder, I choose to defend the side that has to contend with terrorism, not the side that practices it.

It is the side that stands alone as a democracy in a region of repressive authoritarian governments. It is the side that wants desperately to protect its citizens from death while the other recruits its citizens to cause more death. It is the side that declared a national day of mourning following the September 11 tragedy while the other took to the streets for celebration. You choose who to side with.

> Yehuda Sugarman Class of 2002



Not Smokers

To the Editor:

A recent report showed that 11,276 campus drug arrests were made in 2000.

The real crimes are rape and property crimes. 4,000 women were raped on campus property in

Until rape is eliminated, the police should focus on that crime as opposed to drug violations.

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US Must Ensure Fair Globalization

The time has come to systematically reevaluate America's role in the world. and it must start with a broadened understanding of how this nation has projected its power and what consequences have resulted.

The process of globalization will reshape all spheres of human life, from the political to the personal.

We are living at the very beginning of what will be a long period of vast historical change. The process of globalization will reshape all spheres of human life, from the political, military and commercial to the most personal notions of identity.

The inevitable hegemony of the global capitalist economy will, for better or worse, demolish all traditional psychic structures that told us who we were.

Religion, for example, will be undercut as a primary organizational force by the sink-or-swim necessity of conforming to the capitalist model in order to survive.

Nationalism will be delegitimized as it becomes clear-as it is in China right now-that such sectarian rhetoric impedes growth and consequently limits the freedom of the individual.

As our lives are irreversibly tied with these economic bonds to every other life on this planet, all global citizens will begin to live in the same way, with the same general interests.

At the head of the world's powerful economy, leaders American must understand that this is where we are headed, and that it is in everyone's best interest to do it as quickly and equitably as possible.

Up to this point, the process of incorporating developing nations into the global system has been profoundly exploitative and crippling to these nations' attempts at true independ-

George W.'s "America-First" attitude threatens to continue these imperialist practices, and, as a result, it invites further resentment and assaults upon anything and anyone who seems to represent the US.

As the dominant power in the world, we have the unique ability to put another face on globalization, so to speak, to create the reality of how it is carried out. Instead of acting like greedy pirates desperate for control over every world resource, we should articulate a message, and follow it with action and generous foreign aid. We must ensure that economic development is a collaborative process, enriching to both sides simply by the nature of the system.

If Israelis and Palestinians were engaged in mutually dependent trade as free members of the same economy, they would, at the very least, be able to speak more rationally. This would alleviate the desperation, humiliation and fury that make peace so diffi-

Instead of acting like greedy pirates desperate for control, we must ensure that economic development is a collaborative process.

It is up to America to determine how long and how bloody the process of globalization will be. As the Afghan war has shown, we cannot act alone. We need leaders who understand that, in today's world, there is nothing to be gained by acting selfishly, but rather, everything to be lost.

Cynic columnist Chris Pedler is a member of the Class of

Israel Enforces Brutal Occupation

To the Editor:

Let me start out by stressing one major difference between the attacks of Sept. 11 and the terrorism faced by Israel: occupation.

Israel entered territory inhabited by Palestinians in 1967, not to fight terrorism, but as a reaction to Egyptian geo-political maneuvering. After dominating the war in six days, Israel decided that it would remain indefinitely, lording its power over the Palestinians.

That resulted in the second longest military occupation in modern times and the only one remaining in the world

Israel, the only democracy without a constitutional human rights clause, has for 34 years prevented the Palestinians of the West Bank and Gaza from voting. In Hebron, thirty thousand Palestinians are placed under a curfew that lasts for days so that the city's 400 Jewish settlers can roam around. Life is segregated to the extent that there are "Jewish only" streets and highways.

Palestinians are regularly prevented for weeks at a time from going to school or work. Their homes are demolished so that Jewish families from around the world can come in to Palestinian land, confiscate it illegally and build settlements (a war crime under international law).

Israel is the most censured state in the history of the United Nations.

Between 1974 and 1991, Zonism was officially considered racism by the United Nations. So why the occupation, the deaths and the oppression? Israel Koenig, a high-ranking Israeli official, saw systematic Palestinian suffering as necessary to eth-· transfer nically Palestinians from their land: "We must use terror, assassination, intimidation, land confiscation and the cutting of all social services to rid [Israel] of its Arab population."

For twenty years, the Palestinians peacefully protested oppressive Israeli rule and the confiscation of their land. In 1987, the Palestinians rose up with rocks, not bombs, in order to end the occupation. Only now, with no end in sight, have they turned to violence.

While Ehud Barak made some concessions, he in no way offered Palestinians a viable state. His proposal would have retained the vast majority of illegal Jewish settlements in the heart of Palestinian territory, and would have built a system of Israeli "security" roads and checkpoints between those settlements.

These roads would be splitting the Palestinians state into 4 cantons and innumerable islands surrounded by Israeli troops.

Barak's proposal would not have ended the occupation; it would have merely repack-

Since 1993, the number of Jewish settlers in the West Bank and Gaza has doubled. Ariel Sharon fails to understand that continuing the occupation will be disastrous for Israel and will lead to a greater loss of security.

After all, who would think that occupying and oppressing four million people would bring security? Clearly, in Israel and the occupied territories, it hasn't.

If Israel wants security, it must give the Palestinians their land and their freedom. Instead, it continues to send Jewish settlers Palestinian territory.

To prevent death and killings, Israel must understand that it cannot maintain the occupation and confiscation of Palestinian land if it hopes to achieve security.

> Michael Fakih Class of 2004

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Anti-US Speakers Predominant at UVM



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

At the University of Vermont, student groups use their funds to bring controversial speakers to campus. Not one invited speaker has supported our current efforts to defeat terrorism.

They brought us a radical antiwar activist, Howard Zinn, to teach us about the war and US Foreign Policy. They brought us speakers to criticize the US Army for the School of the Americas, which closed over a year ago. They are trying to bring us a speaker later this semester that will criticize the US Navy's use of its training area on the island of Vieques.

We constantly hear about how 'evil' and 'illegitimate' Israel is, and how it assassinates terrorists. We don't hear about how illegitimate Yasser Arafat's 'government' really is, built upon a foundation of blood and terrorism relying on alliances with Hamas, Hizbollah, and Islamic Jihad.

Alternative viewpoints are valuable only when countered by reasoned academic discourse.

Additionally, we were unfortunate enough to bring activist Ward Churchill to this campus. Churchill called the Sept. 11 attacks justified, lauded the hijackers for "manifest[ing] the courage of their convictions, willingly expending their own lives in attaining their objectives." The term 'cowardly' he reserved for describing US airmen and sailors sitting 'safe' in their ships and stealth airplanes. He neglected to mention the shoot-down of a stealth fighter over Yugoslavia and the bombing and near sinking of the USS Cole in Yemen. Churchill's abominations can be found on UVM professor Will Miller's website: www.uvm.edu/~wmiller/roostingchickens.htm.

There was one balanced mainstream panel following the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11. The panel consisted of members of the History and Political Science Departments, including Professors Kaufman and Gause, both renowned and published experts in the fields of National Security and International Relations. Some people within the activist left felt slighted at not being invited and thus, in an email dated Sept. 13, English Professor Helen Scott mass-e-mailed the SPARC listsery that all members

There is clearly an interest in moderate hearing viewpoints, but this must followed-up by the students and administration.

should go to the panel and be prepared to intervene. Intervene they did, and Scott's husband - paid activist Ashley Smith - succeeded in disrupting the entire panel, preaching his gospel instead of listening and seeking to understand the panel's viewpoints.

There is value to alternative viewpoints in sustaining a stimulating intellectual environment, but only are those viewpoints valuable when they are countered by a steady dosage of reasoned, balanced and academic discourse. This balanced political discourse keeps students grounded firmly in the real world while the fringe stimulates the imagination.

A petition circulated over a period of eight hours generated over 400 signatures last semester. There is clearly an interest, and there must be not only follow-up but support of the students and administration. Political awareness comes from reasoned, balanced discourse. Let's come together and make that happen.



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Turgeon Speaks About ROTC

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"I am full time active army. My area of concentration is training and operations," Turgeon says

'I am full time active army. My area of concentration is training and operations.'

Lt. Col Albert Turgeon Director of ROTC Program

as he reads off the laundry list of Vermont schools under his watchful eye: St. Mike's, Champlain and Johnson State, to name a few.

Turgeon is more involved, however, in the ROTC program at UVM where he can be found orchestrating the senior cadet program, leading a backpacking class or serving as the department chair.

The UVM "mission," or goal, is to produce 12 lieutenants per year.

Speaking of the hierarchical rise in the program, Turgeon describes first year cadets as "learning fundamentally the most basic aspects of followership and leadership."

After time and hard work, he says, those incoming students may enjoy the fruits of their labor. "Our most senior cadet is the cadet battalion commander. Ultimately, we try to put our best student-athlete-leader in that position."

Turgeon has had his own ladder to climb. With a less-thandesirable physical space and little financial backing from the university, one wonders about the true relationship between the program and UVM.

Since Vietnam, Turgeon notes, the university has been sporadic in its support.

Currently, the US army foots up to 90 percent of expenses for its UVM mission.

To its credit, the ROTC program now enrolls 84 cadets, which is a hopeful number relative

The UVM "mission," or goal, is to produce 12 lieutenants per year.

to low numbers in decades past.

With Turgeon at the helm, it looks like UVM has many lieu-

tenants in the making.

Students Cited by Police

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officer's request, they still may be issued a citation for failure to comply under university policy.

"They can be referred judicially," Margolis said. "We don't often do that, but we have the option of doing that."

Possible judicial sanctions for failure to comply include referral to a drug counselor or a drug or alcohol treatment program that often carries hefty fines.

According to Judicial Affairs Coordinator Wachen Gray, students should open their doors for police in order to maintain good relations with the UVM community and preserve their personal safety. "My perspective when I talk to students is that you should always be compliant," Gray said.

'If you have nothing to hide, what's the problem with complying?'

Wachen Gray Judicial Affairs Coordinator

"If you have nothing to hide, what's the problem with complying?" UVM Police cited sophomore Sheryl Sukolsky last fall for suspicion of marijuana and failure to comply when she did not open her door.

While she felt the police action was unfair, she found her judicial hearing to be unbiased.

"When we went into the hearing they weren't suspicious of anything," Sukolsky said. "They let us tell the story of what happened."

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Inquisition

Compiled by Jason Robinson

Can you name the school mascot?

Are you planning on graduating

from UVM?



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

UVM Presidential hopeful Dr. Dan Fogel pauses for a photo in Waterman building.

Career Services Offers Options

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Once a student has determined what kind of career he/she would like to pursue, there are a number of ways Career Services can help.

The On-Campus Interviewing Program is one option, whereby an employer visits the school and arranges interviews with students whose resumes indicate an interest in that employer's line of work.

Another way that students can meet face-to-face with prospective employers is by attending one of the tri-annual Job Fairs that Career Services hosts, the next to be held on Feb. 20 in the Marsh Dining Hall.

To senior Ben Luntz, the job fair that he attended last Spring proved to be worthwhile.

'It just opened up my eyes to the range of possibilities that exist out there.'

> Ben Luntz Class of 2002

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By the next semester, he was at work in a full-time, twelvecredit internship. Career Services is not concerned solely with placing students into particular jobs, however.

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Given that the average college graduate changes careers multiple times in a lifetime, Career Services is committed to engaging students in the process of gaining employment so that they are comfortable in subsequent job interviews.

Career Services is more concerned with teaching students how to get jobs than it is with simply placing them there.

As for how college students should approach the tentative job-market after graduation, Lounsbury offers a simple suggestion. "As the market becomes more competitive, one must become increasingly competitive at marketing oneself," he said.

For more information on Career Services, stop by Living/Learning Building E or visit their website at http://career.uvm.edu.

Application Increase at UVM

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"An application growth can be expected, but this year is out of the ordinary."

'Everyone knows that Burlington is a fun place to go to school. But you can have a good time in any college town. We are trying to cut down on the perception that UVM is just a party school.'

Don Honeman
Director of Undergraduate
Admissions and
Financial Aid

Despite the large applicant pool, the class of 2006 will not necessarily be one that is significantly larger than any other freshman class at UVM.

Issues with class size and housing will affect the number of applicants accepted, making the pool even more competitive than past years.

"This is great news that causes a problem," explained Honeman. "We're trying not to increase the class size. We will be improving the quality profile of our students with the competitive pool, and bringing in more academically-centered students."

Over-enrollment has been an issue with many other major col-

leges throughout the past few years. Dartmouth offered students a financial incentive to take a year off and be guaranteed admission the following year. Honeman said that is an extreme case, but UVM Admissions will still admit students as carefully as they can.

"It's not an exact science," said Honeman. "If one student out of every accepted enrolled, then we will look at that percentage in determining our class size."

Throughout the whole recruitment process, Admissions and the university as a whole have been working to show the academic benefits of choosing UVM, fighting the two generalities on why students pick Vermont: for the skiing and the partying.

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can have a good time in any college town. We are trying to cut down on the perception that UVM is just a party school.

"A combination of all things, efforts from the Advocats and Admissions, efforts from the colleges and stronger students will make UVM academically a great place to get an education."

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Holocaust Exhibit Arrives at the Fleming Museum

On Feb. 3, 2002, the Robert Hull Fleming Museum will present *The Landscape of Loss*, an exhibition of photographs by Dr. Jeff Gusky.

A Texas emergency physician, Gusky has sought to capture the essence of the centuries-old Jewish culture destroyed in the Holocaust through black-and-white photographs created in the midst of the bleak Polish winter.

Dr. Gusky believes that the images give voice to a murdered people. They evoke a visual confrontation with the aftermath of cataclysm: decaying Jewish settle-



Photo Courtesy of Fleming Museum Dr. Jeff Gusky's The Landscape of Loss will soon be on display at the Fleming Museum.

ments, desecrated synagogues and cemeteries and death camps littlechanged in 56 years.

The photographs depict the vestiges of a once-vibrant culture, frozen in time by decades of communism, poverty, geographic isolation and the absence of living Jews.

In Dec. of 1995, Dr. Gusky visited southeastern Poland in pursuit of a deeper personal understanding of his Jewish faith.

The result is a body of work now consisting of 12,000 blackand-white negatives. The images are as beautiful and visually com-

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pelling as their objects are profoundly disturbing.

The Landscape of Loss will be accompanied by public programming presented in collaboration with the University of Vermont's Center for Holocaust Studies.

Events will include a talk and slideshow presentation by the artist discussing his experiences creating the work, an educators' workshop, and lunchtime and evening talks by Holocaust scholars, art historians, and Bernard Gotfryd, photojournalist and Polish Holocaust survivor.

-Press Release

Cat's Meow to Deliver First Performance of Semester

The Cat's Meow, UVM's renowned female acappela group, will present their first concert of the semester on Saturday Feb. 2, at the Ira Allen Chapel.

They will perform with guest group the Pointercounts, an allmale acappela group from Potsdam College.

Tickets will be \$4 for students and \$5 for non-students.

The Cat's Meow, UVM's only female acappela group, con-

sists of 13 members.

They offer one to two concerts every semester and perform at various profit and non-profit gatherings on and off campus.

The group also travels to other colleges and universities to perform.

The Cat's Meow will be holding auditions for next year's group on March 1.

-Staff Report

Mountain of Venus Ready To Scale New Heights

Mountain of Venus played an electrifying show at a crowded Red Square Saturday night, Jan. 26, promoting the release of their second CD, *Live Volume 1* (Home Grown Music Network), and a spring cross-country tour in support of the breathtaking new disc.

The spring tour, set to begin in April, will find Mountain of Venus soaring through the Northeast, Southeast, Midwest and the state of Mountain of Venus' founding, Colorado. Dates will be announced shortly.

Mountain of Venus is the collective name of five exceptionally talented performers who skillfully transplanted themselves in 1999 to the East Coast's Boston. But regardless of location, the band-carefully nurtures their downhome earthy roots which rock toward another orbit.

The graceful girl-boy lead harmonies of captivating front-woman Tanya Shylock and rhythm guitarist Jody Cohen are intuitively enveloped by the psychedelic improvisational splendor of lead guitarist Mike Pascale, six-string bassist Dave Gesualdo, and drummer Eric Barry.

However, an attempt to label what they combine to do is diffi-



Photo Courtesy of Randex Communications Mountain of Venus played at Red Square on Satuirday promoting the release of their CD Live Volume 1.

cult, if not impossible. Think of what might happen if the original Jefferson Airplane joined forces with the Dave Matthews Band.

On the other hand, it's easy to to hear how Mountain of Venus has created a singular sound that is at once ethereal and familiar. Highlighted equally by peerless, radio-ready songwriting and heavenly vocal harmonies, Mountain of Venus unfurls a controlled level of improv that will enthrall even the most jaded jamband devotee.

"Our live performance is a

really powerful, strong and energetic thing to witness," says lead singer Shylock.

With elegant vocals and soaring instrumental excursions, Mountain of Venus is both bold and beautiful.

Live Volume 1 is the first in a series of live releases the band plays as a run-up to its next studio project, slated for late 2002.

The band members believe the disc is a perfect introduction to what they consider to be the essence of Mountain of Venus--its sterling in-concert work.

Sleeping Beauty Glides to Flynn MainStage

The Flynn Center stage will be transformed into a full-scale figure-skating rink for 35 champion ice dancers in a special production of *Sleeping Beauty Ballet on Ice*, performed by the St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet on Saturday, Feb. 2 for two performances: 2 pm and 8 pm.

Set to Tchaikovsky's beloved score, as recorded by the Kirov Ballet Orchestra, *Sleeping Beauty* features magnificent costumes and gorgeous opera house sets in the grand Russian tradition.

The St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet has thrilled audiences worldwide with its skating spectacles for nearly 30 years, and its Sleeping Beauty Ballet on Ice continues the legacy.

The Daytona Beach News-Journal calls the production "exactly what a fairy tale should be, way out of the ordinary and fabulous," while the Arizona Daily Star says it is "an impressive physical achievement, full of audacity and verve."

This magnificent production has been newly restaged by former Kirov Ballet principal dancer Konstantin Rassidin, principal choreographer for the St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet.

Tickets for this performance cost \$41, \$31, and \$21, and are available at the FlynnTix

Concealed Banana Project --- "So What?" --- http://CBananaP.iuma.com

Regional Box Office, the UVM Campus Ticket Store, and the Flynn web site at www.flynncenter.org. Children under 17 and students with ID save five dollars off the top two prices.



Photo Courtesy of the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts The Sleeping Beauty Ballet on Ice will be at the Flynn this weekend.

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Give the Pats Some Credit



Ben Dickie Sports Columnist

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After three quarters of horrible football, my friends decided it was time to turn the whitewash flashing across

the screen, also known as the Patriots-Raiders game, and see if there were any reruns of "Dismissed" on MTV.

However, channel surfing got us nowhere, and I started to dose off. All of the sudden, a loud thumping began to come from the

"Pats must be coming back." someone from the kitchen hollered

The guys that lived downstairs were huge New England fans, so we decided to go down and see what all the commotion was about.

Next thing I knew it was 13-10 Raiders and the Patriots were just getting the ball back.

Being a Giants fan, I could really care less who won, but I had to wonder if the clock was going to strike midnight for Cinderella.

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Enter the now famous 'tuck' rule. It can be explained to me for the thousandth time, but I don't care. It was still a fumble.

When a quarterback brings up his non-throwing hand to grasp the ball, he is no longer looking to pass, plain and simple.

With the great invention of

instant reply, the nation was then put on hold for some time as we saw about six different angles over and over again.

And they all showed the same

One of the guys wearing a Brian Cox jersey squealed like a twelve-year-old sitting front row at an N'SYNC concert.

With no timeouts left, the Patriots brought the kicking team out on the field to try to send the game into overtime.

This is where the Raiders might have made their biggest mistake.

Trying to freeze Patriot kicker Adam Vinatieri in a snowstorm didn't work out as well as they had planned.

The timeout gave the New England offensive line a moment to help clear off a spot on the field for Vinatieri's plant foot.

The room went silent as the snap made its way back.

Everyone then proceeded to lean forward, squinting, trying to see if the low liner would find its way in.

After what seemed like an eternity, both referees raised their hands straight up.

The Patriot fans in the room went nuts. One of the guys wearing a Brian Cox jersey squealed like a twelve-year-old sitting front row at an N'SYNC concert.

This was too much. The momentum had found a home for good. The dream lived on.

What had looked like another disappointing season as Drew Bledsoe had his internal organs mixed like a tossed salad, now had all of New England holding their breath in a way reminiscent only of the Red Sox every July.

Michigan Tops Vermont 75-62

Michigan native Trevor Gaines had game highs of 23 points and ten rebounds. However, the host Wolverines had six players score in double figures as they topped Vermont, 75-62, in men's college basketball at Crisler Arena on Saturday afternoon.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

"This trip was for Trevor and I am very pleased for him on having such a great effort so close to home," commented Vermont coach Tom Brennan on his cocaptain from nearby Farmington

"He's such a wonderful young man whose presence has made our program better, the university better and the community a better place." Bernard Robinson, Jr. keyed a 20-0 run that allowed Michigan to pull away from a tightly played first half which featured eight ties and four lead

But the resilient Catamounts. who had won 12 of their last 13 games, bounced back with a 14-5 run of their own to make it 60-51

University Communications Trevor Gaines scored 23 against Michigan Saturday.

with 8:30 to play. However, theycould not pull any closer.

In addition to Gaines, who posted his eighth double-double in the last ten games, T.J. Sorrentine added 18 points (four three's) while Taylor Coppenrath had 12 points and eight rebounds.

Gaines and Coppenrath led a solid inside attack for the scrappy Cats, who out-rebounded their Big Ten hosts 44-31, including a 25-8 edge on the offensive glass.

Domannic Ingerson (three-for-

five 3-pt FG's) scored 13 points to 🕳 lead the balanced Wolverines' attack while Robinson and LaVell Blanchard had 12 apiece.

Chris Young, Avery Queen and Leon Jones each tallied 10 points.

Vermont will face America East rival Boston University in a battle for first place next Saturday at 1 p.m. at Patrick Gym.

For the game, Michigan (8-9) shot 54 percent from the floor to UVM's 36 percent.

Now 15-5 overall, Vermont returns home to take on conference rival Boston University in a battle for first place in the America East next Saturday at 1

HOME ATHLETIC EVENTS

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Catamounts Drop Two Straight

After falling to R.P.I. 6-0 on Friday night and Union 5-2 Saturday evening, the men's hockey team will look to rebound at home against Union on Friday.

MEN'S HOCKEY

The Cats are 10-0-0 all time against the Dutchmen. Vermont is 3-16-2 overall and 3-8-1 the ECAC.



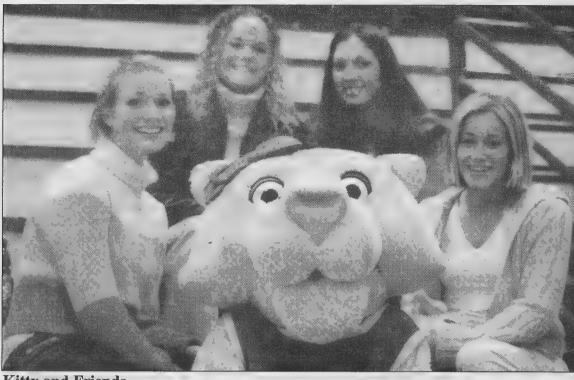


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Kitty and Friends

Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Kitty Catamount is joined by hockey fans at the Gut. The Catamounts lost 6-4 to RPI on Saturday night.

University of Vermont #1 in Drug Referrals

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

In a recent article from the Chronicle of Higher Education, government statistics ranked the University of Vermont as having the greatest number of judicial referrals for drug violations in the country.

The article also stated that UVM was the second highest in alcohol-related referrals to judicial council.

While the statistics look high on paper, some argue there is more to the story.

"I wouldn't say there is less or more of a problem than on other college campuses," said Police Chief Gary

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> **Gary Margolis UVM Chief of Police**

Margolis. "It's like comparing apples and oranges."

The university handles drug and alcohol-violations differently than many other schools in the

According to Vermont law, minor misdemeanors are civil, not criminal offenses. Most offenses are handled within the university system. Arrests are made when a student is found with high quantities of drugs or is dealing drugs.

The state of Vermont "has given the university the 'goahead' to deal with this problem," said David Nestor, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs.

"A number of schools with significantly higher populations have very different ways to address it."

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Daniel Fogel Elected As UVM's 25th President

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Daniel Fogel, president-elect the University of Vermont, made a brief speech on Wednesday and talked with students, faculty and other members of the UVM community.

Bruce Lisman, who headed the Presidential Search Committee as chairman, and Edwin Colodny, current interim president, introduced Fogel to the institution.

"We are bringing to the campus a dynamic administrative leader," said Colodny. "He will lead us through the coming years to help us achieve so much of what we want."

Fogel, raised in Ithaca, NY. attended Cornell University and received his B.A. degree magna cum laude in English in 1969, an M.F.A. in creative writing in 1974 and a Ph.D. in English in 1976.

Before taking his position at the university, Fogel was the Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost for Louisiana State University and also an English professor.

"Dan is the right person, I believe, for the right moment in our university," Lisman said on Wednesday.

Fogel will be the 25th

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> Bruce Lisman Trustee and Chair of Presidential Search Committee

President of the University of Vermont and is looking forward to the coming years as an opportunity to advance the institution.

"It is a very high responsibility, but this is the greatest thrill of my life," he said.

Fogel will take up office and begin his new commitment to the university in July.

Alternative Spring Break to Offer 10 Programs

By ALEX ANDREWS

While many college students view Spring Break as a time to party and bask in the sun, UVM's Volunteers in Action have a very different take on the matter.

This year, VIA will host its 10th annual Alternative Spring Break, a service-oriented program that reaches out to various regions of the country under one common goal: to help strengthen and enrich communities through yolunteer

This year, the Alternative Spring Break program will be hosting 10 different expeditions; these projects range from restoring houses with Habitat for Humanity to working with the poor to secure needed provisions and collective rights. Last year, junior Maggie Samuels worked in New York City with the God's Love Program.

"In the morning, we prepared 1,500 meals and then delivered them to the homeless. A co-worker rightly commented that our work spanned from park benches to Park Avenue." No prior volunteer experience is needed to participate in A.S.B., as training sessions are offered throughout the month of February.

Given the variety of programs that are being offered, there are many ways to contribute. In March, Site Leader Emily Bahnsen ('04) will be taking a group to the tri-county Headstart Program in Bridgetown, N.J. One of Bahnsen's main reasons for joining Alternative Spring Break has been to "introduce volunteer work to people who haven't experienced it before."

"I think it's a great way for UVM students to help those less fortunate than themselves,22 said senior Andrew Reynolds who has taken interest in VIA and A.S.B.

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From The Chickens to The Classroom: Dr. Carew



Andy Duback/VC Staff Dr. Lyndon Carew sits at his computer working on his latest project.

By ANDY DUBACK 🔩

It is no wonder that 500 students annually enroll in Dr. Lyndon Carew's Introductory Nutrition class. Carew's extensive research has gained him notoriety as a professor during his 33 years at UVM.

His early PhD research at Cornell was focused on energy metabolism in chickens. Subsequently, his educational

experiences have often related to poultry and nutrition. Carew spent much of the mid-60's in Colombia where he worked to resolve issues of protein deficiency. He promoted chicken as a reliable source of protein, helping to raise Colombian consumption from 2 pounds per capita in the early 60's to 10 pounds per capita shortly

Later, in Ohio, Carew's work with the animal drug industry involved research on parasite reduction in chickens. After work in Ohio, Carew joined the UVM faculty in 1969.

However, with the chicken industry moving south to states such as Mississippi, Carew's interests have shifted away from chickens.

Carew is currently at the forefront of UVM's progression into its online course offerings. Students from Iran, Bolivia, Australia and elsewhere have expressed interest in access to Carew's Intro Nutrition class -- a course that helped earn him the

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UCLA Freshman Study Reveals Increased Stress Level

There has been an increase in both the number of college students who feel depressed and who favor liberal politics according to a report released last week by the University of California at Los Angeles : Higher Education Institute.

The number of college freshmen who admit to having emotional and physical health problems has reached an all-time high.

Of the 411,970 freshmen surveyed, only 55.2 percent of the students labeled their physical health to be above average, down

from 56.4 percent in 2000 and 64.3 percent in 1986.

Similarly, the number of college freshmen who rated their emotional heath as above average fell a quarter of a percent this year to 53.4 percent.

The decline in emotional health marks an overall 10.2 percent drop in the last 17 years.

Men have reported slightly better emotional health than women with 47.7 percent of females and 60.4 percent of males

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Reform Eases Judicial Process

By LINDSAY BUDNIK

In the past, students accused of violating UVM policy were required to go directly to a formal hearing before the university Judicial Council or a Judicial Hearing Officer, no questions

Preliminary Since / Conference Meetings (PCM's) were implemented this past fall, students accused of violating UVM policy have had the opportunity to meet one-on-one with a PCM officer who guides students through the judicial process. By admitting to alleged misconduct early on at the PCM, students are no longer required to attend the hearings. The only sanctions that are not negotiable are alcohol and

drug violations, which require students to be automatically referred to the university Drug and Alcohol Services.

According to Judicial Affairs Coordinator Wachen Gray, the move to the PCM has been beneficial. "This year, we've had hundreds fewer hearings than previously because most people will resolve the allegation in a PCM," said Gray. Also, "the PCM is an opportunity to make the connection and learn about the individual, and then make a decision on sanctions about what would best meet the student's needs," said Gray.

Rob Kelly, Assistant to the Vice President Division of Student

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Students Must Inform Themselves

Recently, certain students have argued for more mainstream or patriotic speakers on campus to balance out the series of "alternative" speakers organized by other student groups.

A wide range of views is clearly desirable. In fact, the beauty of the university setting lies in its ability to facilitate public discourse, and to provide a forum for ideas outside the current mainstream.

The task of informing students and providing a range of opinions belongs not only to the administration and faculty, but to students as well. As students, we must take the initiative to explore local, national and global issues, and to share this information with the rest of the campus community.

While not everyone agrees with their views, many activist groups on campus have done just this in the last few months. They have attempted to extend the range of perspectives available to students farther than those commonly represented in the mainstream media. In their view, they have attempted to provide balance.

Certainly, students and groups must have

the support needed to bring speakers of their choosing to campus. As the number of events brought to the campus by groups such as the ISO and SPARC attests, it is possible for students to arrange speakers, teach-ins, and forums.

Students in these groups have tapped into the rich, academic knowledge of the UVM faculty, and they have also used their club budgets and faculty sponsorship to bring outside speakers to campus. Groups with other political or social views have the same opportunity.

The political arena at UVM is becoming more active. Both the College Republicans and the College Democrats are starting to organize, showing that the student body is becoming more politically active and aware, and that the activists have made an impression.

Hopefully, students will continue to inform themselves, and become aware of ideas both within and outside of the main-stream. This will allow for more constructive discussion and debate.

Is UVM Creating Its Own Problem?

The University of Vermont ranks number one in the country for judicial referrals for drug violations in the country. It ranks second for judicial referrals for alcohol violations, so no wonder UVM has a reputation as a party school.

Such statistics do not even mention the double standard that has been established on campus. Police watch thousands of students smoke marijuana in front of Bailey/Howe Library on April 20 and then bust the Bob Marley fan who smokes in private.

They allow radical student activists to take vans to New York City to protest the World Economic Forum after some of the

same individuals were apprehended by military police just a couple months ago at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Meanwhile, a student who enjoys a Lucky Strike four yards away from his dorm building is referred to judicial affairs for breaking University policy. The University needs to establish some level of consistency on handling judicial sanctions.

They also need to carefully examine the students who are admitted to the institution. Perhaps requiring interviews for potential students would allow a University official to better determine whether a student will be a productive member of the community.

UVM Needs Some Direction

A lack of school spirit is common among UVMers. Three out of the four students interviewed by the Cynic last week could not identify UVM's mascot.

A week earlier, all five of the students interviewed by the Cynic couldn't name a candidate for the UVM presidency.

Bailey/Howe Library is an act of civil dience that taints the school's image.

Perhaps the new university presidency.

Perhaps UVM is not a jock school, but the apathy on campus is inexcusable.

There wasn't even a Homecoming parade this year.

April 20 seems to be the only day of the year when a large part of the student body gathers and celebrates.

fy UVM's mascot.

Unfortunately, smoking pot in front of Bailey/Howe Library is an act of civil disobe-

Perhaps the new university president, Daniel Fogel, will provide solid leadership to an administration and institution that desperately needs it.

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Look Around for Opportunities

To the Editor:

As someone who is all too familiar with dorm room activities that "give the university a bad reputation" and the lovely staff at judicial affairs, I would have to say that contrary to the opinion of the "lead editorial" printed on Jan. 29, there are plenty of worth while, inexpensive activities offered on weekends at UVM.

Not all the activities are available on campus, but that can be seen as an advantage to those who are suffering from cabin fever.

I just got back from a VASS (Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports) alternative weekend, and though I was there in part to fulfill a hefty requirement of community service dished out from Judicial Affairs, the weekend turned out to be more rewarding than I could have imagined. The entire cost of the trip, including two days of skiing, room and board, was 15 dollars.

Ten other volunteers from the university spent the weekend skiing and

developing unique and priceless relationships with a group of 12 disabled children ages 8-14 and their families.

I was paired up with a ten-year-old whose genetic disease was supposed to prevent him from ever walking or talking. Watching Kyle scream and clap with joy all the way down the mountain, saying hello to everyone he passed, taught me more about enjoying life than drinking beer in a dorm room ever could.

The point is that the opportunities available at the university aren't going to jump out at you. If students want more than a hangover and a letter from Judicial Affairs, they need to take the initiative to look around and find something they're interested in. I know there are more alternative weekends coming up, as well as a variety of outing club trips. Look around for advertisements and you may be surprised at the possibilities.

Brendan Coyne Class of 2004

Editorial Misrepresents UVM

To the Editor:

I found last week's editorial on campus life offensive on two fronts: both in its assumption of the residents in the dorms and how Residential Life, especially the Complex Coordinators and the RAs, does its job.

First, we should talk about the residents, since they're the more clearly wronged here. Contrary to the popular opinion of UVM, which you reinforce with your editorial, the vast majority of residents I've observed don't spend their time on the weekends getting drunk or smoking pot.

Most residents are capable of entertaining themselves without getting drunk or stoned.

While I don't think that this campus is filled with straight-edges, I also think that the people who choose to get badly drunk or seriously stoned as their main form of entertainment are a very small group.

Of course, they always make an unpleasant splash, whether staggering up the stairs howling at one in the morning, or getting a visit from either the RA staff or Police Services. This

makes them seem like a bigger group than they actually are, and the more we believe that they're the majority at UVM, the harder we make it for the actual majority.

Now, for Residential Life. Last semester, Harris/Millis held a series of weekend programs and "Reality 101" programs. Though something was going on almost every weekend, people only occasionally showed up.

A staff can only go so far. If we hold programs and almost nobody shows up, it tells us that almost nobody cares about the work we put into putting on a program. Residential Life and the dorms have very limited resources; if they get a message that something is a waste of time and money, then they'll focus their efforts on things that aren't.

So, if there are people out there who live in the dorms and agree with the editorial, you should let your RA or a member of community council know. We're here to help, so let us know how we can

Dan Seitz Class of 2004

Time to Civilize Ourselves

To the Editor:

Considering all the talk coming from the pro-war camp about the need to "eradicate terrorism in order to ensure our domestic freedoms," one might find it quite surprising to see these same people deny the liberties of other Americans.

Over the past several months, I've seen posters I had put up torn down regularly. How can one simultaneously cheerlead the war dubbed "Operation Enduring Freedom" and then deny other members of the campus the right to hear dissenting viewpoints?

Many decry the act of terrorism as "trying to effect change through intimidation or coercion." Standing outside of the library selling the "Socialist Worker," I have been called "a f-ing commie" among other names dozens of

times, and told to "rot in hell" and pretty much anything else one could possibly do in hell. Certainly such actions constitute intimidation, coercion and threats bordering on assault.

However, I write not these lines in self-pity. I freely bear this cross of defilement and malice for the liberation of humanity embraces my soul too strongly to be cowed by ignorance. When one out of four American children cry out in hunger every night, it is my name I hear emitted from their lips.

There are enough resources owned by the top five percent of the population to end suffering on this planet. We need to finish the struggle for humanity-we need to finish civilizing ourselves.

> Keith Rosenthal Class of 2003

Fear Factor at UVM

To the Editor:

UVM has plenty of intelligent students and faculty who have no choice but to submit to the injustices of this institution.

While there are endless experiences to be had, on and off campus, the rigid policy standards and Gestapo-like authoritarians put in place by the administration contribute to an environment of fear and distrust.

At the University of Colorado at Boulder, with 25,000 students and 37 university officers, crimes such as rape, assault, vandalism, drug-use and even underage drinking are far more frequent.

Yet statistically, crime at UVM is just as severe as Colorado's, despite having only 11 uniformed officers and a third of the student

But we are the ones who are afraid to go home to our dorms and get harassed on a Friday night while, in fact, it is probably the only safe-haven for students living on campus.

Police Services do nothing to help provide a safer environment for students living on campus.

The University has created a fear factor among the students, making them try to get as far away from campus as possible, therefore putting themselves at greater

UVM needs to get its priorities straight and run the institution with the students' best interest in mind, not what the University thinks is best for its image.

We don't pay a mind-boggling amount of money to get pushed

around by authorities and watch our favorite professors (who really can't wait to leave, anyway) get run out of town.

In the two-plus years that I have been enrolled in this school, I've witnessed a rush of youthful, fresh-out-of-graduate school professors, while high-enrolling, poorly-paid and tenured professors are forced to leave due to budget restrictions.

Yet how is it that Police Services receives \$1.2 million in funding from UVM, which is only a few hundred thousand less than the Microbiology and Molecular Genetics department (which just recently was made a sub-division of the Med. Dept., thus receiving no funds at all) gets.

Almost 2,000 students have been placed under disciplinary probation in the past two years while only 230 warnings have been issued.

Last year alone, Judicial Affairs made \$94,480 solely from SURE classes and consultations. Hey, that money could go towards something of an intellectual nature.

I am sick of being intimidated and scared.

It's time we take control of our own destiny, and let the administration know that we do not deserve to be treated like criminals but rather like striving, youthful scholars.

We shouldn't have to ask, though, should we?

> Adam Oransky Class of 2003

President's State of the Union Address Powerful and Inspirational



Peter Morrison Cynic Columnist

In an inspirational and powerful State of Union address, President Bush laid out a new paradigm for American foreign policy in the 21st century: one

aggressive prevention.

We are entering a period where the threats that this nation faces are asymmetrical in nature, our military is without equal in the world and peace cannot be assured simply by competing both for spheres of influence and

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in terms of military spending with another superpower.

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In recognizing these facts, the President explained the two objectives in the war on terror-

"Our nation will continue to be steadfast and patient and persistent in the pursuit of two great objectives.

"First, we will shut down terrorist camps, disrupt terrorist plans and bring terrorists to justice. And, second, we must prevent the terrorists and regimes who seek chemical, biological or nuclear weapons from threatening the United States and the

It is the second part of this pledge that is important, and the differentiation from previous statements that the President has

The President has expanded the scope of our war by announcing three rogue states who threaten the world with terror, and laying out the case for taking action against them.

"Our second goal is to prevent regimes that sponsor terror from threatening America or our friends and allies with weapons of mass destruction.

"Some of these regimes have pretty quiet since September the 11th. But we know their true nature.

"North Korea is a regime arming with missiles and weapons of mass destruction, while starving its citizens. Iran aggressively pursues these weapons and exports terror, while an un-elected few repress the Iranian people's hope for freedom.

"Iraq continues to flaunt its hostility toward America and to support terror. This is a regime that has already used poison gas to murder thousands of its own

citizens -- leaving the bodies of mothers huddled over their dead children. This is a regime that agreed to international inspections -- then kicked out the inspectors.

The only way to ensure peace and safety in the world is to take action to neutralize the threat.

"States like these, and their terrorist allies, constitute an axis of evil, arming to threaten the peace of the world. By seeking weapons of mass destruction, these regimes pose a grave and growing danger."

Clearly the President recognizes three clear truths.

First, that the terrorists and rogue states present a current and growing threat to this nation and our allies.

Second, that the only way to ensure peace and safety in the world is to take action to neutralize the threat that these temorists and rogue nations project the even

The third and critical truth is that while we should seek international coalitions if possible, we cannot let international politics prevent us from acting in our own self-defense.

The President's message to the world is clear: "All nations should know that America will do what is necessary to ensure our nation's security."

Democrats and Republicans Gaining Momentum at UVM



Jon Kantor

student as politically active was to indicate that the student was a member of one of the ubiquitous radical activist Cynic Columnist groups on campus.

Until recent-

ly, to describe a

· That stereotype is no longer valid.

A rebirth of mainstream political awareness and participation

No longer is political activity strictly a term used to denote the antics of those far outside the political mainstream.

is sweeping this campus.

No longer is the term politically active restricted to the radi-

No longer is political activity strictly a term used to denote the antics of those far outside the political mainstream.

No longer does one have to cast out reason, logic, accountability and common sense to be politically active.

There has been no forum

within the University for reasonable students who want to work for positive, effective changes on the University, local, state and national levels.

There have been no groups under SGA seeking to provide balanced speakers to a campus where there is none. This will change:

Since Sept. 11, the traditional UVM political apathy has waned and students are beginning to get involved.

This groundswell has students from all education levels, all majors and all backgrounds coming together to get involved.

The interests of the students vary from defense to economics to education policy to healthcare to the environment.

These students have come together to learn from each other and to try to bring balance to a university that desperately needs

Two mainstream political groups are now an active and growing part of our campus community.

Last semester saw the rebirth of the Campus Democrats and this semester, the College Republicans.

Both groups are open to all students. If you are unsure whether your views lean towards one party or the other, attend meetings of both and decide for yourself.

There are no dues, and the individual members decide for

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themselves their levels of participation.

The Campus Democrats meet in room 523 Old Mill on Thursdays at 8:00p.m.

The College Republicans meet in room A500 in the Old Mill Annex on Wednesdays at 7:00p.m.

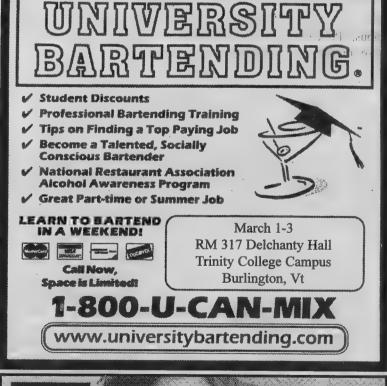
If you're unsure where you stand, check them both out.

Get involved. Don't be a voice crying in the wilderness.

There are injustices and errors and abuse of power that have to be counterbalanced.

Work effectively to accomplish these goals, not by the force of your conduct, but by the force and merit of your arguments.

Speak out, don't act out.





Drug Referrals at UVM Top in Nation

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There is also evidence that university has stricter enforcement than other schools to deal with drug and alcohol use.

"We are trying to be very diligent in reporting crime statistics," said Nestor. Assistant to the Vice President of Student Affairs Robert Kelly agrees. "One of the reasons why our numbers are so high as opposed to other schools is because anytime there is an offense, they're all sent to a referral." According to the report, which ranked 6,269 schools, the University of Vermont had 998 liquor referrals and 377 drug referrals in the year 2000, along with only five alcohol arrests and

26 drug arrests, respectively.

"No one's denying the fact that UVM, like many other colleges, has a problem with alcohol and drugs," Margolis said. "But the statistics they reported could be misleading."

While the figures could be misleading, there is still much to be done to help prevent students from breaking UVM's drug and alcohol policy. "I believe we need to do more as an institution," said Kelly. "We have to be proactive."

One of the issues Kelly plans to focus on is education about the judicial process and the university's policy. Margolis and Nestor agree. "We could always be doing more to solve these problems," said Margolis. "The solution is

'There needs to be a stronger message of the damage that drug and alcohol use does to the communitv.'

David Nestor Interim Vice President for **Student Affairs**

getting students, faculty, and deans involved."

"There is a growing number of students at UVM who are tired of being around increasing frustrations that disrupt the learning environment," said Nestor.

"There needs to be a stronger message of the damage that drug and alcohol use does to the community."

Students Plan for Spring Break

corner, and college students around the country are running out of time to plan their vacations to various tropical locations.

Some of the more popular destinations are both warm and offer easy access to alcohol, according to Joe Bush, vice president of Student Express, a subsidiary of Vacation Travel International.

"This year, some of the hot spots overseas include (Mexican cities) Cancun and Acapulco," Bush said. As for the continental United States, South Padre Island (Texas), provides a two-for-one with both weather and drinking age and Panama City in Florida, since they allow drinking on the

Spring break is just around the beach." Bush suggested students do research on both the location and the travel company they work with to make sure they are not

> "Anybody can go to Kinko's, take a bunch of tropical pictures and say they have a spring break company," Bush said. "In reality, there are probably only five or six actual companies that are really working in the students' best inter-

> But Bush also says that kids need to have fun, too. "One of the mottos our company has is that we tell students in the first seminar we have with them, 'What happens at spring break stays at spring break."

> > -UWire

Carew Teaches Classes Online

UCLA Study Reveals More Students

Support Legalization of Marijuana

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Carnegie Foundation's "Professor of the Year" for 2001.

With a one-year sabbatical slated for the next academic year, Carew plans to devote his time to making the Nutrition class comple ely online. This endeavor has been a long time in the making.

Since 1981, Carew has been working with a computer consultant to coordinate the technical end of the equation, such as cold fusion programming. "After two years -- one year of development and one year of evaluating it," Carew projects that it "will hopefully be made available to the world. That is the final intent."

In his evaluation, Carew has concentrated on studying the human response to online classwork; are students better off

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claiming above average emotional

ing overwhelmed by the demands

that they have," Linda Sax of

Institute, the group that conducted

the survey, said. "I mean they are

expected to get top grades, get

jobs to pay for college and do vol-

unteer work. It becomes stress-

shows that more students than

ever before are declaring their

Another of this year's studies

"Many students reported feel-

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conditions.

UCLA's

gory in 1971.

because of it? He sees himself as "switching away from animals. Except, we are going to do research with students because students are still animals. They are!" He jokes that in his work, he can't put students in research cages. "I tell my students that any time they want to volunteer for that, they can come down to the lab, but nobody volunteers."

In judging the success of an online offering versus the traditional class setting. Carew says. "You half kid and half wonder about putting something online. Does that mean I won't be needed in the classroom? We all believe that being in the classroom with live bodies is more interesting than sitting in the corner of your room and trying to learn that

overall shift in the direction of lib-

eralism, over one-third of those

surveyed support the legalization

of marijuana, a 2.3 percent

increase in the past year and the

not only become more liberal, but

have also expressed a greater

interest in national politics with a

4.5 percent increase last year

alone, the single largest rise since

1992. Experts speculate that this

unusual surge in political interest

is related to the contested 2000

Additionally, despite steady

presidential campaign.

Specifically, freshmen have

highest percentage since 1980.

Preliminary Conference Meeting Eases Judicial Process

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Affairs said that the PCM allows for a more personal way of handling the situation. "The PCM allows students to resolve the issue of conduct in a less formal manner than a hearing," said Kelly.

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Rob Kelly Assistant to the Vice President for the Division of Student Affairs

Students can still attend a formal hearing if they choose not to confess during the PCM. During the hearing, the student testifies before the university Judicial Council or a Judicial Hearing Officer.

The hearing enables the student to explain what happened from their point of view and provide evidence and/or witnesses.

Judicial Affairs Coordinator, Sarah Henson, also believes that the PCM has been a positive

"The PCM really puts us in the position of being able to serve as advocates and advisors. We can actually have a conversation and act as navigators for the sys-

After the hearing, the

Judiciary Board (the Judicial Council or the Judicial Hearing Officer) considers all the information and formulates a decision for where the responsibility lies.

If found responsible, the student receives status and action sanctions.

Status sanctions are comprised of warnings and disciplinary probations that tell the student where he/she stands with the university.

Action sanctions are the physical part of the discipline, which often consists of community service, alcohol and drug interventions, programming hall communities, etc.

Alternative Spring **Break Program** in Planning

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"I would definitely consider participating in this type of volunteer work."

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Jason Robinson's **Cynical** Inquisition

1) What do the letters UVM stand for? Universitas V.

2) How much money do you spend on alcohol a week?



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political beliefs "liberal." The grade point averages, with 44.1 29.9 percent of students who conpercent of students reporting "A" sider themselves leftist, up 2,2 averages during their senior year percent from last year, is the of high school, the amount of largest number in two decades. individuals who study more than The number is still significantly six hours a week has fallen to 34.9 lower than the nearly 40 percent percent, down 12.1 percent in the of students that defined the catepast decade. Sax accounts for this unusual situation by challenging The number of undergraduthe quality of high school curricuates supporting the rights of lums. "It's easier to get an A in homosexuals has reached a record high school now than it used to high of 57.9 percent up from 56

percent last year. Less than 30 The 36th annual survey was percent of the students surveyed conducted in partnership with the were in favor of laws prohibiting American Council on Education. same-sex marriages, a 20 percent Since 1966, over 10 million studecrease in the past decade. dents and 1,700 institutions have Keeping in trend with the taken part in the study. -U-Wire

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London City Opera to Perform "The Merry Widow" at UVM

On Friday, Feb. 8, the UVM Lane Series is proud to announce the return of London City Opera with a performance of Franz Lehar's comic delight: "The Merry Widow."

"The Merry Widow" will be performed in English with a live orchestra as well as a chorus and dancers at the Flynn Center of Performing Arts. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Composer Franz Lehar's "The Merry Widow" is a delightful romp with Viennese Style waltzes, lyric melodies and impassioned choruses.

The libretto was written by Victor Leon and Leo Stein and was based on Henri Meilhac's play "L'attache d'ambassade."

The comedy, first performed on Dec. 30, 1905 at the Theater on der wien in Vienna, Austria, was

"The Merry Widow"
When: 7:30 p.m. Feb. 8
Where: Flynn Center for
the Performing Arts
Cost: \$21/\$38/\$20

an instant success.

"The Merry Widow" has a zany plot line reminiscent of a Marx Brother's comedy.

It tells a story of the beautiful and charming Hanna Glawari, widow of the wealthiest man in the tiny principality of Pontevedro, and it is set mostly in the Pontevedrian embassy in Paris in 1905.

Petrified that Hanna will marry a foreigner and take her money out of the country (thus bankrupt-



University Communications
"The Merry Widow" is coming to
UVM Lane Series Feb. 8.

ing the entire treasury), the Pontrevedrain Ambassador schemes to marry her off to a former lover, Danilo.

Danilo, who once jilted her, is balky about a reconciliation, sure that his renewed interest in her would be mis-interpreted as golddigging.

With twists and turns, mistaken identity and a variety of complexities, the story resolves with a most happy ending.

London City Opera is quickly establishing itself as the market leader of high quality touring opera throughout the United Kingdom, Europe and North America.

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Taurus April 20-May 20 Your body is beginning to feel the result of all the stress you have been going through. Some positive physical work is exactly what the doctor prescribes. The adrenaline will help release some of the stress you've been creating because physicality takes time during which you'd otherwise be sulking.

Gemini May 21- June 21 Feeling overly creative lately? You've been having a ton of great ideas and don't know who to tell them to? Write them down. You'll be surprised at how much easier it is to get results when you have all your thoughts organized.

Cancer June 22-July 22 It's four weeks into school and you're already slacking off? You made a New Year's resolution to do better in school and not doing assigned reading isn't the best way to start. Luckily, there is still time for you to work your way to the head of the class.

Leo July 23-Aug 22 If you begin to feel any loneliness this week, it'll be helpful for you to head to the library. Seeing others sitting at desks, committed to their work, will inspire you to do the same.

Virgo Aug 23-Sept 22 You've been questioning a lot about yourself lately including what it is that motivates you. After all that has happened this year, it's important to think what you can do for others-not what they can do for you.

Libra Sept 23-Oct 22 Over the last few weeks you have received a lot of support from others and now it is time to return the favor.

Though it may not feel like a direct sign of appreciation, it is important to attend athletic events and show UVM support. I'll see you at the Women's Basketball game, Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

scorpio Oct 23-Nov 21 Cold, flu and other germs are rampant across campus. To keep from becoming sick you should continue to wear a hat, gloves and a thick jacket when walking about campus. Be sure to remind your friends about dressing properly, too-Friday nights are boring when you're the only one healthy.

Sagittarius Nov 22-Dec 21 It is easy to forgo going outside in Vermont; many think there isn't really anything to do other then skiing and snowboarding. I suggest you try some Ultimate Frisbee in a large open area. The winter practice will make you a pro come spring and everyone will want you on their team.

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 19 It seems like your birthday just came and went in a flash. Double check with all of your friends as to when their birthdays are and be sure to think of something special for them. Good friends don't forget one another's birthdays.

Aquarius Jan 20-Feb 18 Though your zodiac sign is water, the rain these past few weeks couldn't have been driving you any crazier. What everyone needs right now is a snow dance. All you have to do then is watch the flakes fall.

Pisces Feb 19-March 20 Your family may disagree with the decisions you have been making, but it is important to follow your heart. You're at college not only to learn or play sports but to realize your true passions. In order to do that, you need to take advantage of the wide array of possibilities offered at UVM.

Dr. Love Has All the Answers

Dear Dr. Love,

My girlfriend keeps playing mind games with me. One day she's all over me, the next she's completely closed off. She won't talk about it or even recognize that it's a problem and it's really starting to bug me. We are great together in, umm . . . other ways, though. However, I am ready to just call it quits-but I don't want to be making a mistake. What should I do?

-Played Out in Burlington

Dear Played Out in Burlington,

I guess it all depends on your priorities. If you guys are "great together in other ways" and sex is all you're interested in, then I guess you've got it. I suppose you could even use this frustration as a form of foreplay. On the other hand, if you are looking for substance, then perhaps it's time to send her packing! You have to remember either way to keep your happiness in mind. If this doesn't feel right to you then it probably isn't. And while the sexual compatibility is a plus, it's certainly not worth the mind games. Good luck with this one.

Dear Dr. Love,

I have been seeing a guy that I like very much for the past couple months. We hang out quite a bit and talk almost everyday and have a lot of fun. My problem is that this guy just got out of a serious relationship and has told me he doesn't want to commit to anything serious right now. I would really like something more than what we have now, but I don't want to push him away. What should I do??

-Sulking in Simpson

Dear Sulking in Simpson,

Sounds like your boy has a classic case of what I like to call, "College-Boy-Syndrome." He is finally in college, without his mother, and in this case, also recently out of a relationship. He is totally enjoying his freedom! As much as you two might be a great match, this bachelor phase is going to be hard to shake. The best advice I can give you is, 1) make sure you are always having fun (and if that stops, drop him), 2) make your physical relationship as good as possible (whoever said food is the way to a man's heart couldn't give good . . .), and 3) enjoy the time you have without him (you must remember that as this is also your freedom-your bachelorette timeyou should be having some fun as well)! Good luck with this one.

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Catamount Sports

Too Young To Go Pro?



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What difference does a year make, or maybe even two years?

Ben Dickie Sports Columnist

Well, to LeBron James, that oneyear could be the difference

between a Senior Prom, graduation and senior skip day or road trips, fame and fortune.

James is the best high school prep basketball player in the country, and wants to make the jump right to the pros unlike anyone has before him.

Kobe and Garnett both went straight from high school, what's the big deal? They weren't juniors when they left.

The 6' 7" guard from Akron, Ohio is the next can't miss prospect.

The only problem is that the NBA won't allow a player to be drafted until he is 18 and his class has graduated.

James has recently decided against trying to be the first junior ever to leave early, though, and will return for his senior season, but who knows after that.

James is not the only athlete to

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challenge the age barrier in the sports world of late. Enter another 17 year old, named Ty Tryon.

Tryon doesn't tip it in like LeBron on the court; he chips it in from the bunker.

Supposedly the next golfing phenom, he hit the links to compete in the Phoenix Open in his first event as a card-carrying member of the PGA Tour.

Tryon shot an opening round 77 and all of a sudden the golfing world went from comparing him to Tiger Woods to now saying that he is too young and was foolish to even secure a tee time.

He shot a 77 including a back round of 34 to finish up six over in his first pro event and the media is already labeling it a failure?

Tryon isn't going away that easily, as he had already inked over one million dollars in endorsement deals before he even teed it up.

Burning out from competing while too young has happened in the past, but at the same time, it has been overcome as well.

Tennis star Jennifer Capriati rode the roller coaster as she went from a 14-year-old prodigy, to being arrested on drug charges at 18, and now bouncing back to the top of the tennis world once again.

The sports world marvels at potential, but at the same time worries that potential is purely just that.

Cats Top Terriers 89-85 to Lead America East

T.J. Sorrentine scored 30 points and had seven assists as Vermont held off Boston University, 89-85, in overtime in America East men's basketball at the Patrick Gym on Saturday afternoon.

Tied at the half and at the end of regulation, the tightly-played game featured 12 ties and 17 lead changes.

* The first place Catamounts improved to 9-1 in the America East and now hold a two-game lead over Boston U. (13-9, 7-3) with just six conference games to play.

B.U.'s Kevin Fitzgerald made two free throws with 14 seconds left in regulation to tie it at 81-81 and force overtime. But in the extra session, the Catamounts scored the first five

The 16 wins tie a UVM school record for Division I wins, and equals the second-most wins in the program's history.

points on a free throw by Trevor Gaines, a low post bucket by Taylor Coppenrath and a pair of free throws by Sorrentine.

After a layup by Chaz Carr made it 86-83, Sorrentine banked in a spinning drive in the lane with 43 seconds left to cap the victory.

In addition to Sorrentine, who

also made six from beyond the arc, Gaines had 18 points (eight-of-12 FG's) and a game-high 11 rebounds for his eighth double-double in ten conference games.

Coppenrath made 15-of-18 from the line and finished with 19 points while frontcourt mate Grant Anderson chipped in with 10. In his first career start, freshman David Hehn added eight points, four rebounds and four steals.

The win, in front of 3,228-UVM's second straight sellout at the Patrick Gym-improved the Catamounts' record to 16-5.

The 16 wins tie a UVM school record for Division I wins also accomplished in 1999-2000 and



University Communications T.J. Sorretine scored 30 off B.U.

equals five other seasons for the second-most wins in the program's history.

-Staff Report

Engineers Top Vermont 6-4, UVM Falls to 3-18-2

Sharp's Hat Trick Not Enough for Struggling Cats

Rensselaer's Jim Henkel scored two goals, including the go-ahead goal in the third period, as the Engineers defeated Vermont, 6-4, in ECAC Division I men's hockey action Saturday.

Rensselaer, 10-10-4 overall and 4-7-3 in ECAC play, scored the game's first goal at 6:07 of the first period when Carson Butterwick scored on a 3-on-2 break, with C.J. Hanafin and Andrew McPherson assisting.

Vermont, 3-18-2 overall and 3-10-1 in the ECAC, evened the score at 1-1 on the power play moments later when sophomore Patrick Sharp scored his first of three power-play goals at 10:10, with assists going to Derek Wagar and Bryson Busniuk.

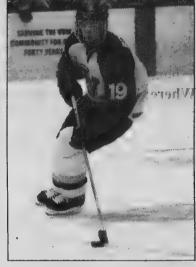
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Rensselaer took a 2-1 lead early in the second period when Sharp scored through a screen on the power play.

Matt McNeely and Conrad Barnes assisted on the goal, which came at 2:26.

The Engineers made it 3-1 later





Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Brady Leisenring, left, shoots against RPI while Bryson Busniuk, right, works his way down the ice.

in the period when Henkel scored. Eric Cavosie and Jim Vickers had the assists on the goal.

The Catamounts cut the lead to one goal when Sharp scored his second goal of the night at 17:19 of the second period. Jeff Miles and Greg Zemple assisted on the

Vermont tied it at 3-3 early in the third when Scott Mifsud tipped in a shot from Jason Fortin. Thomas Hajek also assisted on the goal.

Henkel then scored his second of the night on the power play at 6:31 of the third to give RPI a 4-3 lead, with Matt Murley and Vickers assisted on the goal.

The Engineers added to their lead moments later when McPherson scored at 8:34, finishing off a nice passing play from

Butterwick and Hanafin.

Sharp then added his third of the game at 10:16 of the final frame, with Wagar and Miles getting assists. Murley added an empty-net goal with 22 seconds left

Tim Peters finished with 21 saves for Vermont, while Nathan Marsters stopped 30 for Rensselaer.

-Staff Report



UVM Student-Athletes Garner America East Academic Accolades

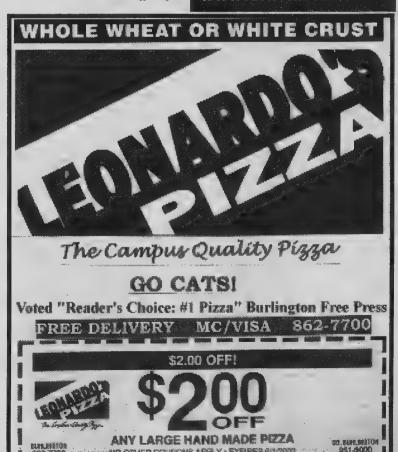
A total of 51 student-athletes from the University of Vermont, representing six fall sports, were named to the America East Conference Academic Honor Roll.

UVM was one of four of the league's 13 members to have more than 50 recipients honored.

The Catamounts also boast 27 student-athletes who were named to the Commissioner's Honor Roll for achieving a GPA of 3.5 or

higher following the fall semester. A total of 622 student-athletes were named to the 2001 America East Fall Academic Honor Roll for earning GPA's of 3.0 or higher. The UVM women's soccer team led the Vermont contingent with 12 members making the academic honor roll.

The men's and women's cross country teams placed 10 members from each squad.



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UVM Alum Enters 1,000 Mile Sled-Dog Race

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Peter Butteri, who graduated from the University of Vermont in 1983, is taking on one of the toughest sled-dog races in the world: the Yukon Quest.

The Yukon Quest International Sled Dog Race began in Fairbanks, Alaska on Feb. 9 at 11



Photo Courtesy of Yukon Quest UVM alum Peter Butteri, has been racing since 1989.

The 1,000 mile race runs through some of the most stunning landscapes in North America and happens to be during the coldest month of the year.

Butteri, 40, works as a forestry technician and currently lives in Tok, Alaska.

When he graduated from UVM, he headed to Alaska with several

friends looking for jobs at a summer fishery. Instead, he got involved with dogs as a dog handler in Tok and never looked back. In 1989, he started his own team of dogs and began races in the Yukon. This year will mark his ninth year as a musher in the Yukon Quest.

"We keep about forty dogs," said Butteri. "They're not pets; they're working dogs. My wife, son and I train the dogs. We spend a lot of time and money on them, so in many respects, they are as close as pets."

The relationship between a driver and his team is a crucial element in sled-dog racing.

The lead dog of the team responds to voice commands to turn, stop and start. Some key commands used by a driver are "gee" for a right turn and "haw" for a left.

Butteri explained the importance of knowing which way to turn. "One year I had a young leader named Blacky and he didn't understand how to run over glare ice," he said. "Once he got the hang of it, we were coming up to a spot in the river that is the most dangerous part of the trail.

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Colleges Fight Smoking



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A UVM student lights a cigarette with a blowtorch on the fire escape outside Billings Student Center

Harvard Study Shows Banning Smoking in Dorms Yields Positive Results

Ever walked through a residence hall only to be hit by a cloud of smoke coming out of someone's room? Or had to battle your way past a group of smokers on the steps right outside one of the buildings on campus?

For some schools across the country these problems are no longer an issue. Many colleges and universities have taken various steps to create smoke-free environments for their students and faculty. Starting in 1993, the Commission on Substance Abuse at Colleges and Universities has urged America's college campuses

to go smoke-free.

The commission recommended prohibiting smoking on university grounds, barring the sale, advertising and distribution of tobacco products on campus and providing help programs for students who wish to quit smoking.

In 1998, Harvard University was one of the first schools to initiate a program for smoke-free residence halls in addition to the already, smoke-free academic buildings.

Harvard's School of Public Health released a study in March

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Andy Duback/VC Staff

A Different Sort of V-Day

Performers rehearse for "The Vagina Monologues," which will be brought to UVM Feb. 14. For full story, see Page 6.

Fears Calmed Over Financial Aid During Recession

As the deadline to file for financial aid quickly approaches, many worry that the country's current economic situation will affect their financial aid packages.

"We want to calm the fears," said Don Honeman, director of Financial Aid at UVM.

"This year's financial aid packages won't be affected."

Most students have not been very vocal about their concerns, according to Financial Aid.

"Mostly we've heard from students who have special financial issues, such as a parent being laid off," said Honeman.

The deadline for returning students to file for financial aid through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is March 1.

However, federal aid only makes up little more than half of a student's total package from the heat up." school.

Nineteen percent of the package is federal aid (grants) and 35 percent is through federal loans.

Forty percent of a package comes from UVM institutional money, and five percent is state aid. The institutional money comes from two sources. Twothirds is from the general fund from the school's budget. The other third is from endowments and scholarships.

While financial aid packages won't be affected this year, the subsequent years might pose a problem if the economy doesn't turn around.

"We're keeping an eye on the situation, especially in the next eight months," said Honeman.

"We're focusing on a major campaign, working with donors.

"If the demand for financial aid increases, then the campaign will -Staff Report

Racine to Visit Campus Today

Lieutenant Governor Doug Racine (D-Vt.) will discuss environmental issues today in John Dewey Lounge at 6:30 p.m. in Lafayette/Old Mill.

> **Doug Racine Lecture** 6:30 p.m. today John Dewey Lounge Lafayette/Old Mill

He will be the first of the leading gubernatorial candidates to visit campus in the coming weeks as part of ENVS-195, Politics and the Environment class.

The lecture is open to the public and parking is available at the Waterman visitor lot and adjacent to Waterman building and along the streets. Future speakers in this series of lectures will include Peter Clavelle, Con Hogan, Jim Douglas, Peter Schumlin. Anthony Pollina and others.

Pulitzer Prize Winner to Speak at Commencement

Two-time National Book Award winner and public television host David McCullough will address graduates at the University of Vermont Commencement 2002 on May 19.

McCullough's most recent book, "John Adams," topped The New York Times bestsellers list and has been called a "master of the art of narrative history."

He received the Pulitzer Prize for his book "Truman."

He also has hosted Smithsonian World and The American Experience on public television, as well as numerous documen-

Also receiving honorary degrees at Commencement will be Theatre Professor Emeritus Edward Feidner, the first chair of the Theatre Department and pro-

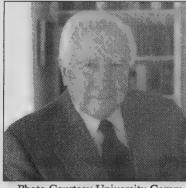


Photo Courtesy University Comm. David McCullough will speak at the UVM Commencement this May.

ducer/artistic director of the Champlain Shakespeare Festival from 1961 to 1980.

The following will also receive honorary degrees: W.C. "Bill" Heinz, former sportswriter for several New York newspapers, World War II war correspondent

McCullough has hosted Smithsonian World and the American Experience on public television.

and co-author of MASH.

Jennifer Stanley, '68, a trustee of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Victor Swenson, executive director of the Vermont Council on the Humanities from its founding in 1974 until his recent retirement.

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Take Hallmark out of Valentine's Day

Every February 14, the entire American society is divided: those who have sweethearts, and those who don't. In candy stores, florists and gift shops across the nation, red and pink hearts flood the display windows.

This is what all major holidays in America have become: propaganda of huge corporations who intend to squeeze the hard earnings of people everywhere.

Has love become equal to a dozen longstemmed roses? Two dozen? Or maybe three? Has the speedy manufacturing of a teddy bear for 8.99 plus tax developed into the poor excuse for a gift of love?

No doubt that on the night of February

13, at least one of your past boyfriends or girlfriends have driven over to Brooks at 9:50 pm for a quick box of chocolates.

If this is what love is, we have stooped as low as the \$10.00 box of chocolates. Let us not only think of this day as a way of honoring our sweeties, but also our friends and family.

Forget the Hallmark card — go for a card made of construction paper and glitter. Forget the Russell Stover chocolates — make some cookies or brownies.

And most of all, forget the teddy bear. Give your honey a teddy bear hug instead.

Important Speakers Coming to Campus

This week, students will have the opportunity to hear speakers both from Vermont and around the world, each of whom have first-hand insight into the politics that affect our lives.

On Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in John Dewey lounge, Lieutenant Governor Doug Racine will be speaking. Racine, the lead Democratic gubernatorial candidate, is the first of a series of candidates who will speak on environmental issues that affect Vermonters. In following weeks, Con Hogan, Peter Clavelle, Jim Douglas, Peter Schumlin and Anthony Pollina will also speak.

Denis Halliday, former UN Assistant Secretary-General and former UN Humanitarian Coordinator in Iraq, will speak out against UN sanctions on Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. in CC Theatre. Halliday resigned in protest after 34 years of service to the UN, saying that approximately half a million children under the age of five die as

a result of the economic sanctions.

Then, on Sunday, Feb. 17, at 2 p.m., Two Brandeis graduates, one from Israel and one from Palestine, are coming to Memorial Lounge in Waterman as part of their campaign to break down the walls of prejudice in the Middle East. They wish to discuss their experiences and work toward constructive solutions.

In only one week, the UVM campus will have the ability to hear a prominent voice in Vermont politics as well as several people with unique insights into contentious international situations.

Students should take advantage of these impressive and varied speakers. Events such as these provide the fuel for more informed and thoughtful political and social debates.

They also open our eyes to the world around us, and have the potential to influence us more than years in the classroom.

Student Votes Make All the Difference

Town meeting day is just around the corner, on Tuesday, March 5. That means that it is time for city council elections, and it's time for students to vote.

Students often overlook the fact that city council elections affect them in a variety of ways. City Councilors play huge roles in determining the relationship between the University and the city of Burlington.

For example, laws regarding student housing and campus law enforcement are debated and often decided in the city council. Students should find this year's election particularly interesting because two members of the UVM community are running for a seat.

UVM junior Nathan Rice is running as a Republican against Democratic attorney Ian Carleton and Progressive Erika Nestor, who is currently the Graduate Advisor for the Department of Student Life at UVM.

Students should take the time to get acquainted with the views of these candidates, and then make informed voting decisions. Every vote counts.

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U.S Must Give Prisoners Rights

To the Editor:

Everyone would agree with the Cynic editorial argument that the United States must pride itself on being a free and civil country and use the treatment of the detainees at the US base in Cuba as an example for countries around the world. It is inconsistent for the same editorial to support the current treatment of the Taliban and al-Qaeda detainees.

Is it free and civil that these detainees should be forcibly drugged, shaved, chained and kept in cages that are open to the elements? These prisoners will face interrogation without the presence of observers; they will be tried by emergency military tribunals and killed if found guilty. Lawyers are to be provided, but their power is limited because the men are held outside US jurisdiction

Attorney-General John Ashcroft believes that they don't "deserve" basic constitutional protections. But we must remember that even Eichmann and other Nazis were treated humanely during the Nuremberg Trials. Indeed, because the Afghan detainees may be among the most violent and dangerous criminals on earth, we must ensure that their basic rights are protected. That is the way to preserve our humanity.

Kwaw Andam CEE

Vote Carleton for City Council

To the Editor:

I am writing in support of Ian Carleton for Burlington City Council. UVM students should care about this election, and here's why they should vote for Ian Carleton. He has been active in community politics for years. He is intelligent, listens carefully and will work very closely with students.

As we saw in the last presidential election, just a few votes can make a dramatic difference. That is the case locally, nationally and is definitely the case in this election.

The Progressive party has dominated Burlington politics for years. By voting for Ian Carleton, a Democrat, the power base within city council will shift away from an absolute, unchecked Progressive majority. With this more even political balance, compromise and reason would better prevail over a single party agenda. We have a great city to live and play in, but well-meaning initiatives need to be tempered with sound reasoning.

We are more patriotic than we were just a few months ago, and we have a chance to capitalize on those feelings and change the way city politics operate. Electing Ian_Carleton would be an exceptionally good thing for UVM.

Matt Montross Class of 2002

Rosenthal Needs to Get a Grip

To the Editor:

In Keith Rosenthal's letter, Keith said he has been called "a f-ing commie" and told to "rot in hell" while selling the Socialist Worker, and that this was intimidation, bordering on assault.

That expression does not constitute intimidation. It's an expression of irritation, and one that I can sympathize with when people relentlessly shove propaganda at me.

The situation gets even worse when these individuals are so self-righteous as to insist that those who disagree with them are uneducated and wrong, even if there is evidence to the contrary.

Keith stated, "I write these lines not in self-pity. I freely bear this cross of defilement and malice for the liberation ... When one out of four American children cry out in hunger every night, it is my name I hear emitted from their lips."

No wonder people don't respect the ISO, when their more prominent members can be so arrogant as to berate people for their ignorance while at the same time comparing themselves to Jesus.

The problems in the world are many, and they aren't going to be solved by whining that people with money should spend it more charitably. In case you haven't noticed, many of the ignorant ones beneath you tend to either react with hostility to such annoyances or simply ignore them.

Charlie Martin Class of 2004

Students Protest WEF

To the Editor:

Thousands of protesters came to New York City to participate in workshops, forums and the mass protest of the World Economic Forum.

The protest was against the large schmoozing of corporate executives and heads of states. The idea of the conference is that elitists of countries and corporations decide how to carve up the world — for a \$27,000 yearly membership. Many anti-globalization and anticapitalist activists see the WEF's new home in Manhattan as disgusting and insulting.

Kathleen Brown Class of 2005

'Who Wants Peace?' Sugarman's Letter Right on Target

To the Editor:

I appreciated the clarity of expression in Yehuda Sugarman's letter entitled "Who Wants Peace? Not the PLO" in the Cynic on January 29, 2002.

I only wish that we could approach the situation in the Middle East without having to take sides.

David Jacobowitz
Psychiatry Department

Keep the Progs out of City Council



Jon Kantor
Cynic Columnist

Why should we vote? Traditionally, none of the candidates for city council have truly cared about the needs of the students of UVM. What

would drive the eight thousand students of the University of Vermont to the polls?

Are you tired of the housing crunch and excessive property taxes driving your rent to ridiculous heights?

Are you fed up with having to drive to campus, contending with poorly plowed streets, broken up sidewalks and a severe lack of parking?

Are you frustrated with the lack of such a simple staple as a grocery store in our fair city? Why is the city council funding a supermarket that is taking YEARS to build?

Another ordinance has made it illegal for four unrelated people to sign a lease to live in the same house.

What population in Burlington

is that ordinance biased against?

How about penalty taxes? Our elected representative in Burlington has taken it upon himself to submit a bill to raise gasoline taxes to encourage us to use alternative forms of transportation.

Do you still wonder why we should vote?

Apathy has thrown vote after vote to the Progressive party. One seat is already theirs; are we going to throw this seat away, too?

All Progressives vote. They are a clear minority population that counts on the apathy of the majority to give them their victories.

The majority of students at the University of Vermont don't vote although most are eligible.

Come Town Meeting Day, March 5, 2002, it's a good bet that paid-activist Ashley Smith, Will Miller and all of their cronies will come to the voting booths, casting their Progressive votes for fiscal irresponsibility and bigger government under the banner of Social Justice.

Where will you be? Do you want to pay higher rent because the city can't efficiently build a

supermarket? Do you enjoy having to skip class because there's nowhere to park?

Do you love to pay more and more money because our city council doesn't know how to behave responsibly?

Don't let voter apathy put the Progressives in office again.

You consider yourself patriotic. Perhaps you've given blood or have been watching the news more than before. You definitely care how you're being represented. How about doing something about it?

It won't take much to change the dynamic of the city council. There's no reason why we can't have a Democrat or Republican in that seat.

UVM junior Nathan Rice of Burlington is running under the Republican ticket for City Council in Ward 1 against Democrat attorney Ian Carleton.

Why not either of them? Don't let voter apathy put the Progressives in office again. March 5, 2002. Get out and vote.

The Republicans are Organizing? Just Imagine the Possibilities....



Brandon Johnson
Cynic Columnist

Wahoo for the Righties! The Republicans on campus are finally organizing. Wahoo.

The whole campus must be holding its breath. Think of the possibili-

We can finally get a public meeting on why our civil liberties are wrong, dirty and how our founding fathers are turning over in their graves that any American would ever want a single one.

Or hey, even better yet, they can follow the lead of other conservatives on other campuses and bring in (who I would absolutely call a racist) David Horowitz, who can finally explain to all of us why exactly African Americans should stop whining.

Maybe the group will focus more on education and show us reruns of Newsnight with Aaron Brown; the second political voice on our campus has finally arrived.

Maybe a talk on the economy would follow, stating why the stock market is doing great if you stand on you head.

Oh wait, better yet, why rich people need more money and poor people are bad and why we love the Bush tax cut.

And to top if off, their faculty advisor, Professor Kaufman, will lead the hearty bunch.

Hmmm, you're right, renaming Old Mill the Kissinger Complex is

an idea whose time has come.

I guess the Democrats are also organized on campus.

Haven't heard much from them; they're probably busy enough working the party hierarchy, petitioning Gore to shave. Good luck.

But since one of your members had to go dry in the mouth last semester refusing to debate the left, maybe what could happen first is (if the rest of the Republicans help): defend Enron. Defend Cheney's decision not to turn over relevant documents.

I think those who really want to get politically active know where to go; Students for Peace and Global Justice Thursdays at 7 p.m. in Lafayette 111.

That is, if you can. You might be too occupied squealing over the fact that you can finally get university funds to make hundreds of copies about how I am the best case for abortion you ever met.

I think those who really want to get politically active know where to go: Students for Peace and Global Justice Thursdays at 7:00 in Lafayette 111.

I think those who opine about the supposed lack of political difference on campus know that getting a different view about Iraq from the former UN official Denis Halliday this Thursday is priceless.

And I think those on the left are clear that some of the best defenders of justice are socialists.

WEF Policies Breed Devastation, Inequality

Last weekend, 12,000 people marched through the streets of New York City to protest the corporate executives who each paid \$27,000 for the privilege of planning the course of the world economy.

Participants at the World Economic Forum brag that they gave birth to the WTO, an organization that has been instrumental in advancing international trade policies that have led to the enrichment of western multinational corporations and the financial destruction of countries like Argentina and Jamaica.

The WEF is indicative of the non-democratic, unaccountable processes by which corporations manipulate and circumvent national and international laws in their pursuit of profit. These are the people who, in the words of one participant, tell the IMF

what to do.

The neo-liberal policies that the WEF advocates — deregulation, free trade, the opening of capital markets to foreign investment and export-led growth — have led to the polarization of wealth and increasing inequality in both developing nations and in first world nations like the US.

These policies have decimated domestic agriculture in Argentina, Jamaica and Mexico by flooding these countries with cheap imports from the US industrial agriculture corporations, and, in doing so, have forced workers to relocate and take low-wage, exploitative jobs for pennies in factories and sweatshops. The profits multinationals have realized on this model have been astounding, but the benefits never trickle down

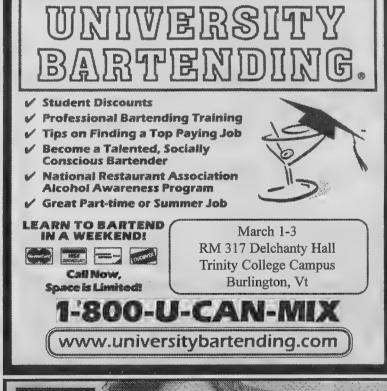
to ordinary workers either here or abroad.

Contrary to the secretive, unilateral agenda imposed on the world by the rich and powerful at the WEF, in the streets last weekend there was an explosion of democracy.

People of all races, nationalities, classes and political beliefs marched in solidarity in the belief that a better world is possible.

We marched for a world not run for the sole purpose of profit and a world where the concerns of governments are human needs and the equitable distribution of resources instead of massive spending for an undeclared and open-ended war on anyone and everyone we don't like.

Cynic Columnist Chris Pedler is a member of the class of 2003.









Andy Duback/VC Staff
A student takes a cigarette break on the fire escape of Billings Student Center.

Smoking Creates Problems in Dorms

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smoking in residence halls is the best way to prevent students from starting to smoke.

The study found students who did not smoke when they entered college were 40 percent less likely to start smoking if they lived in smoke-free residence halls.

Yet, at the time, only 27 percent of colleges prohibited smoking in on-campus housing, and no more than 40 percent had cessation programs. Preventing more students from starting smoking is not the only reason that smoke-free residence halls are becoming more prevalent.

Colleges are also attempting to protect their students and faculty from the dangerous health risks caused by second-hand smoke and the risk of fires caused by cigarettes. According to University of Rhode Island officials, approximately 187 fires were started between 1993 and 1997 because of careless use of cigarettes.

URI became one of the latest schools to ban smoking in residence halls this past June. Syracuse, Yale and Dartmouth, and all Southeastern Conference

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schools (except the University of Kentucky) are just a few of the other schools that have banned smoking in their residence halls.

Some schools have gone beyond barring smoking just indoors to including the areas surrounding the doors.

At the Universities of Delaware and New Hampshire, smokers must move 10 feet from any entrance before lighting up.

The University of Massachusetts at Amherst extended the barrier to 20 feet and the University of Arkansas widened the perimeter even further to 25 feet. The University of Arkansas and other colleges have also forbidden the sale of tobacco products on campus.

Jon Fritsch, one of the health educators at Virginia Tech, agrees that banning smoking in residence halls will make residence hall life safer and healthier for students. "I think a smoke-free campus has a widespread impact," Fritsch said. "It reduces second-hand smoke so people are breathing cleaner air. And there is a reduced risk of fire."

-U-Wire

UVM Alum Enters Yukon Quest

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"Blacky got really into it and I couldn't steer him off the ice. We were on the wrong side of this island." Butteri described what happened next. "I could hear the river roaring underneath, and I couldn't stop the team. I could see the ice was fractioning underneath."

At that moment, Butteri went through the ice with his entire team and sled.

Fortunately, the driver and his team only dropped through two feet of shell ice and were not injured. "We all got wet, but we didn't go swimming." That part of the trail, where the Nation river meets the Yukon, is perhaps the most treacherous of the entire race, at least for Butteri. "Once I get past that spot, I'm comfortable."

This year, Butteri is looking forward to some tough competition and a good performance.

This year, we have a much better team than we've ever had before. We are looking forward to a good race.

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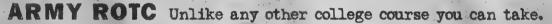
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-Dissed in Davis

Dear Dissed in Davis,

No matter what this guy says, you have not done anything wrong! He obviously has a few things to learn about women, and telling you to work on your "technique" certainly shouldn't win you over. You did not overreact in the least. Unless this guy is Mister Perfect (i.e., trust fund of 2 million dollars, Brad Pitt gorgeous, Porsche driving, villa in Italy owning, sugar daddy), he has no right to make you doubt yourself! And remember, if your skills are that bad, he wouldn't waste his time on you. Despite the UVM guy situation, you can do better! Good luck with this one.

Dear Dr. Love,

I had a steady boyfriend all through high school and very strict parents! I am now a freshman at UVM, and have just gone wild! I slept with five guys last semester. It was just good fun for me and I used protection. But my friends have been making me feel bad about it. Does this really make me a slut?

-Horny in Harris

Dear Horny in Harris,

First of all, I commend you for using protection. Second, I know a lot of people who went wild once they hit college, so you are not alone. While I would not recommend making it a habit to nail five guys a semester, you probably needed to get this out of your system. Don't worry about what your friends think. Although they might worry about you, true friends would never judge you. Another way to alleviate some of this pressure is to keep these kind of things to yourself. Good luck with this one.

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"The Vagina Monologues" Come to Ira Allen Chapel

By MARY KATE GUCCION

"It's to celebrate each and every vagina!"

So claims Allison Davis, describing the purpose of Eve Ensler's dynamic show, "The Vagina Monologues."

Davis performs as a sex worker in "The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy," just one of the monologues that comprise the groundbreaking show.

The monologues will be presented for the second year in a row at UVM in the Ira Allen Chapel, on the 14, 15 and 16 of Feb. at 7:30 in the evening.

Sierra Sumpf will open each show with a musical performance.

"The Vagina Monologues" explore every facet of female sexuality from pleasure to violence to simple awareness. Women of every age and from various countries around the world have offered their experi-

The show is free for UVM to perform on the condition that all proceeds go to non-profit women's advocacy programs with a focus on ending violence toward women. All the proceeds from UVM's production will go to the Women's Rape Crisis Center and Women Helping Battered Women.

"The whole point is that it is V-Day," says Dawn Johnson, codirector of the production and performer of "The Angry Vagina." "Eve Ensler and the V-Day College Coalition, the organization we get licensing from, have reclaimed Valentine's Day as the day to end violence against women and girls."

Each actor is intimately involved in the show. It is not a performance done for money or fame, but for personal fulfillment and the advancement of the cause.

"We've been rehearsing for a long time," says Pat Fontaine, a Women's Studies pro-

Show Dates: All Shows at 7:30 p.m. Ira Allen Chapel

> Thursday, Feb. 14 Friday, Feb. 15 Saturday, Feb. 16

fessor at UVM.

"We'll be doing it off-script, which means that we need the lines to come from our hearts and not from a printed page."

During last year's production, the actors held their scripts as they performed the monologues. Also new this year, the show will be performed at the Ira Allen Chapel, offering better acoustics and more seating room than last year's choice of the Campus Center Theater.

The monologues together form a lyrical masterpiece, combining slang and foul language with eloquence to result in a performance that is both pleasing and shocking to behold. The show is at once bleak and hysterically funny, blending wry humor, pensive reflections and self-discoveries and grim statistics into one large

UVM 50 Years Ago...





Compiled by Jason Robinson/VC Staff

What was once a cafe at UVM in 1952 in the basement of Waterman building is now a computer lab.

collection of women's experi-

However, parents should think twice before bringing the kids; "The Vagina Monologues" pull no punches, and address everything from genital mutilation to prostitution to pleasurable sex to the first menstrual period.

"There is something that makes it both personal and universal," says Fontaine of "The Vagina Monologues."

She goes on to speculate that telling these stories in public, forcing people to hear about the many sides of the vagina, gives women's sexuality more reality.

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Additionally, Sierra Sumpf will open each show with a musical performance.

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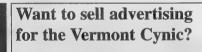
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Catamount Sports

Hats off to Hall



Ben Dickie **Cynic Sports** Columnist

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Morgan Hall's quiet style has at some points this season made her play on the court go almost unnoticed. She shows little emotion either way during the course of

a game, always carrying that same face up and down the floor.

This silent assassin made some noise last week, though, as she became only the 11th Catamount ever to reach the 1,000-point plateau.

The six-foot-one junior brings a silky-smooth game like few others, with the ability to turn it on with the flick of a switch.

The ball just glides out of Hall's hands every jumper she takes, making onlookers believe that it is going to fall. In case you haven't noticed, this isn't something new.

Coming to UVM from nearby Hanover, New Hampshire, it didn't take Hall long to establish herself as a local favorite.

It should come as no surprise that Lady Catamount Morgan Hall is working her way into the record books.

After a rookie campaign that saw her not only take home the honors of America East Rookie of the Year, she also set the UVM record for most points scored by a freshman with 430.

The 13.9 points a game to go along with 5.1 rebounds landed Hall a spot on the America East All-Conference Third Team.

There would be no sophomore slump to follow, though, as Hall was just getting her feet wet.

Try 14.6 points a game, first team all conference and a slot on the America East All-Tournament team on for size. Coming into this season, only 161 points were needed to put a grand in the record books.

The question wasn't would she get it, but when.

That when was just a little over a week ago, as Boston University saw Hall become the fourth quickest (in just 74 games) Cat to reach the mark.

If her senior year ends up being anything like her first two seasons, Hall will crack the top four in career scoring at UVM, bumping current assistant coach Jen Niebling to fifth.





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Tiffany Hayes makes a save against Harvard in the team's last home

Hayes Records 63 Saves

Vermont's Tiffany Hayes tied her own school record with 63 saves as the Catamounts lost in their final home game of the season Saturday, 3-0, to Harvard in a Division I ECAC-North women's hockey contest at Gutterson Fieldhouse.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

Vermont, 1-24-1 overall and 0-12-0 in league play, recognized three seniors before the game.

Lori Hennessey of Essex Junction, Melissa Berglund of Hanson, MA, and team manager Amie Canfield of St. Johnsbury were honored for their years of hard work.

Harvard, 12-9-1 overall and 6-4-1 in the ECAC, got the only goal it would need late in the first period when Kalen Ingram converted a nice pass from Nicole Corriero and beat Hayes.

Corriero added another goal midway through the third period, and Lauren McAuliffe scored into the empty net at 19:08 of the third to make for the final margin. McAuliffe also assisted on Corriero's goal.

Emily Smith recorded eight saves for Harvard, while Hayes tied the school record she set back in November when she had 63 saves against Dartmouth.

Vermont plays at Colgate next Friday and at Cornell next Saturday.

The University of Vermont ski team won its third straight carnival Saturday, finishing with 753.5 points to win the Dartmouth Carnival over the host Big Green, who finished with 730 points.

SKI TEAM

In the women's GS, Shaina Mulkern (Magnolia, MA) finished second and Erin Mascolino (Jeffersonville, VT) was sixth.

In the men's Giant Slalom, Hunter Kaltsas (Stratton, VT) finished fifth and Piotr Kaczmarek

(Rawicz, Poland) was seventh.

In the Nordic classical pursuit races Saturday, Torgeir Lien (Oslo, Norway) finished in first place by more than a minute over the second-place finisher, Ethan Foster (Weston, VT).

For the women, Ilke Van Genecten (Colchester, VT) finished third while Claudia Reithofer (Zoebern, Austria) was seventh and Emily (Laurium, MI) was ninth. For complete results, log on to http://www.eisaskiing.org.

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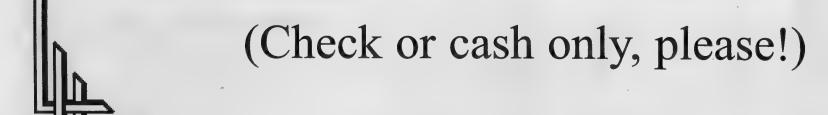
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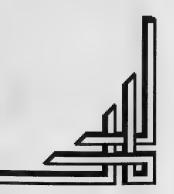
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Marijuana Abuse Increases Among College Students

Experts Say Drug Hurts Academic Performance

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Smoking marijuana is a pastime at UVM. Recently, a study from The Chronicle of Higher Education found that UVM was #1 in drug referrals in the country. The majority of these referrals stem from marijuana use.

Nationwide, marijuana has increasingly become a problem for young adults. More college students are using marijuana, and statistics report that the average age of first marijuana use is decreasing overall.

The Sourcebook for Criminal Justice Statistics notes that in the year 2000, twenty percent of college students used marijuana in the last thirty days, up 6% from the year 1990.

"I think overall nationally, there is a growing use of pot," said Margaret E. Gross, assistant director of the Center for Health and Wellbeing. "There is a more frequent, consistent use among college students in particular."

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Photo Courtesy Vermont Progressive Party **Anthony's Back**

Gubernatorial candidate Anthony Pollina will speak in John Dewey Lounge today at 6:30 p.m. He is the second in a series of leading gubernatorial candidates to visit campus to discuss environmental issues as part of ENVS-195, Politics and the environment class.

Program on UVM "Kakewalk" to Be Held Thursday

By ALEX ANDREWS

The Center for Cultural Pluralism will host a program this Thursday to educate the UVM community about the controversial Winter Carnival tradition of the "Kake Walk" at UVM, which consisted of fraternity members imitating a dance competition of black American origin.

For over 70 years, two fraternity members at UVM dressed in full costume and blackface and imitated the dance where

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Race for City Council Heats Up

UVM Undergraduate Nathan Rice Among Candidates for Ward 1 City Council Seat

By KRISTIN DOBBS

Democrat Ian Carleton, Republican Nathan Rice and Progressive Erika Nestor are aggressively campaigning for the open Ward 1 seat in City Council as Town Meeting Day rapidly approaches.

For the lawyer, UVM student and PTO president, respectively, the March 5 election is expected to be a close one.

Ward 1 encompasses both Main and East campuses of UVM, so the candidates are fighting to represent the interests of a significant portion of the UVM community.

Carleton, a lawyer at Hoff, Curtis, Pacht, Cassidy and Frame in Burlington is looking to offset the Progressive majority in City Council.

"The Progressives have a majority in the city," said Carleton. "With seven Progressives already on council and a Progressive for mayor, there isn't really a balance of power. Many in the city feel that their side isn't being listened to. Within Ward 1, the current two Progressives in power ran unopposed. There needs to be more balance."

The former kindergarten teacher and Yale Law School graduate hopes to put his 12 years of law, government and community service experience to work. Carleton has been heavily involved in Vermont politics and has represented several UVM students in court.

"I am concerned with two areas: parking and student-police relations,"

'I've represented many UVM students who have been bull-dozed by the police. Students' rights need to be protected and respected.'

-Ian Carleton

said Carleton. "Parking is extremely difficult both off and on campus.

"With student-police relations, I've represented many UVM students who have been bulldozed by the police. Students' rights need to be protected and respected.

"We can work to have both strong law enforcement and students' rights respected at the same time."

Republican for City Council Nathan Rice also hopes to spoil the Progressive majority in City Council with a victory March 5.

"The Progressives have been in power for about 20 years or so," said Rice.

"They have not been asking what the city wants. The will of the people have been fairly repressed."

The UVM junior and Political Science major has been working closely with the Vermont Republican Party in Montpelier.

The availability of housing in the city is Rice's primary concern.

"There needs to be more housing both on and off campus," said Rice. "The council recently passed a resolution that no more than four unrelated persons can live together. If they enforce this, many people will be without places to live. The school also needs to build more housing, as well. Some schools guarantee you housing for four years. While students might feel a loss of freedom on campus, there needs to be more housing."

Progressive for City Council Erika Nestor is currently employed at UVM while earning her doctorate. She has been pleased with her Ward 1 representative.

'UVM and the city need to work together to improve the quality of life for the residents of Burlington and the students.'

-Erika Nestor

"I found that he has always responded to my concerns," said Nestor. "I don't honestly know how the other wards have been, but I would hope they were good at listening to the residents' concerns."

A PTO President for Edmunds Elementary, Nestor has a masters degree in Higher Education Student Affairs (HESA) from UVM and works in Billings Student Center in Orientation and Parent Affairs under Student Affairs.

Nestor believes that the University needs to improve its relationship with the city of Burlington and that providing adequate housing for the city's residents is important.

"It has an OK relationship with the city," said Nestor. "But there is a lot of finger-pointing. UVM and the city need to work together to improve the quality of life for the residents of Burlington and the students. Also, housing is an issue. There aren't enough rentals and finding a house is also extremely difficult.

"There needs to be more housing for low-and-middle families. Also, taking care of the environment is always important."

Each candidate for City Council offers different reasons why the residents of Burlington and UVM

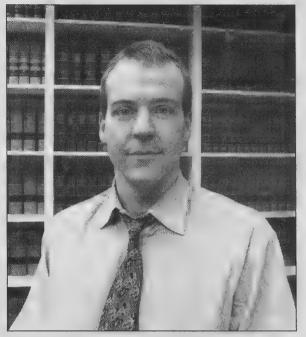
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Ian Carleton Best Choice for Ward 1

Boasting solid credentials and experience, Democrat for City Council Ian Carleton is the wisest choice for Ward 1 voters. An attorney and former schoolteacher, Carleton maintains a commitment to preserving the interests of Ward 1 voters in and around the UVM community.

Before moving to Burlington, Ian showed serious dedication to social and legal justice.

An advocate of civil liberties, Carleton has worked in legal aid services, community development clinics and has helped young mothers in urban neighborhoods learn their rights before the law.

He will work to improve relations between students and police, and help find ways to improve Burlington's current parking situation. Also of concern to Ian is the traffic on East Ave., Colchester Ave. and Main St.

He will address the growing heroin prob-

lem in the city and ensure that Burlington has better and safer schools.

Carleton listens to the needs of all community members and will act accordingly. He is young, driven, has shown an ability to communicate well with students and always brings a positive attitude to his work.

He will work within the system to effect change to improve the city of Burlington.

Ian Carleton will act as a voice for the UVM community and make the city a happier and healthier place to live.

He is the most experienced and capable candidate running in Ward 1.

Carleton will live up to his personal promise to "run a positive campaign" and to work with other council members to deal with the problems facing students and the city as a

If Ian Carleton wins in Ward 1, the city of Burlington wins and students win.

Democracy Demands Participation

Students at the University of Vermont should not underestimate the importance of voting in the upcoming city council elections.

Local elected officials make decisions that affect students directly, and increased student participation may mean the difference between a victory or a loss for a candidate. If the student body turns out at the polls, students will create an incentive for candidates to pay attention to their interests.

Creating incentive for candidates to bear students' desires in mind may impact the willingness of council members to adopt ordinances important to students. As an example, look at the ordinance passed last year restricting the number of unrelated people living in one specified apartment here in Burlington.

The Cynic has taken an interest in the outcome of the Ward 1 race in particular. Harris-Millis, Marsh-Austin-Tupper, Chittenden/Buckham/Wills Living/Learning are all UVM dormitories that lie in Ward 1.

Even after being berated about how voting is an important civic duty, students could still conclude that neglecting to vote would not likely effect the outcome of an election. Accordingly, students may believe that political ambivalence will do no harm.

While early in 2000 many of us would have deferred to the belief that any single vote would not effect the outcome of an election, that year's election turned out to be

striking proof that each vote counts. The proof is in the pudding-or in this case, in the White House.

It also follows from common sense that local elections are more likely to be numerically close elections because there are fewer voters overall in local races. Florida stands out as one of the relatively few instances where a statewide race actually came down to the wire.

Alternatively, students may feel that they do not have enough information to choose a candidate. (In this week's issue of the Cynic, we are running a front page article on the candidates for Ward 1, so that excuse deesn't really hold water anymore.)

Students interested in registering to vote should capitalize in any opportunity they see available to do so on campus.

Students who recognize the dangers of apathy and ambivalence in a student body should be concerned about making sure that they themselves live up to the most simple standard applied to citizens in a democracy:

Attending a teach-in on US foreign policy, or a meeting of Students for Peace and Global Justice, should not count as a surrogate for the most simple civic obligation.

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Johnson's Piece Provokes Response

To the Editor:

Reading last week's column by Brandon Johnson made me sad. His name-calling tactics toward the embryonic republican group on campus show a remarkable lack of tolerance on his part.

The way that he makes no effort to understand his adversaries makes the Left look bad. In any intellectual debate, each side needs to have a good understanding of the opposing point of view. Johnson's point of view seems to be informed by a raw hatred of Republicans and mainstream politics.

Especially discouraging was his conclusion where he held up Socialists as defenders of justice and civil liberties.

To the Editor:

This place used to be called diversity university, but that label is no longer accurate. The students of this university have turned it into an academic swamp in which we isolate ourselves from diversity with endless mud-slinging rhet-

We have proven incapable of valid discourse and scholarly debate. We have turned, instead, to labeling as wrong any opinion not in line with our own, to tearing down each other's posters and to defaming each other for our contentions.

We like to think of ourselves as people who are making a difference, or who will one day make a difference, but this will be forever impossible if we cannot learn from each other.

When one in four children cry out in

To the Editor:

Your columnist threw thunder and provocation down on the Right in last week's edition. He was probably expecting a right-wing tirade against his moral harangues and probably expected those he targeted to ridicule the hygiene of hippies. I, for one, will not sink to the level of your columnists. I prefer to enlighten those writers and the Left with more respect, grace and tact than you typically offer those who disagree with your bizarre statements.

I just wish to offer some counter-facts to your statement that "some of the best defenders of justice are socialists." Joseph Stalin (30,000,000 executed through his purges) was a true humanitarian --- he just had a dysfunctional fam-

A quick look at the top 5 Socialists of the 20th Century causes me to wonder what Johnson was thinking! Lenin, Stalin, Mao Zedong, Ho Chi Minh and Pol Pot as "some of the best defenders of

I was very discouraged to read such an uninformed, hateful editorial. Johnson, in writing such a piece, discredited the Left and made the Right look good. With a single editorial, Brandon Johnson has done more to advance the cause of the Right than reams of editorials by Jon Kantor ever could.

> Guillaume McDowell Class of 2004

hunger every night, self-righteousness will not solve the world's problems. When the Republicans on campus are finally organizing, sarcasm will only further the isolationism.

I came here to learn and grow and see a new world; however, all I have seen thus far is a campus of spoiled adolescents incapable of respectful debate and incapable of living together and learning from each other. I urge you, all of you, to listen to each other and find some common ground. We may disagree, but we all have something to learn from each

We should naturally educate one another but we cannot do this if half of us consider the other half not good enough to talk to.

> Weston Nicoll Class of 2005

ily, right?

Mao Zedong's Great Leap Forward killed only 30,000,000, but they were Republicans, so it doesn't matter. At least dissenters in modern China have a protected podium - no, they get run over by tanks.

Peter Clavelle has destroyed Burlington because all the in-state Vermonters were not familiar with Haight-Ashbury in 1967.

And lastly, the shining example of socialism: the Berlin Wall. When a country builds a wall to keep its citizens from escaping to a land of peace and liberty (the West), that constructing entity ceases to be a nation - it is a prison.

> Chris Krueger Class of 2002

Students Can be Heard in City Gov't

To the Editor:

I write to urge all members of the what she already has. UVM community to get out and vote in the upcoming Town Meeting Day elec- opportunity to bring to the City Council tions on March 5. I also strongly urge those who vote to help elect Ian Carleton, a Democrat, to Burlington City Council.

So many of us who attend UVM feel as if we are visitors to the community of Burlington, revelling in its magnificence and cursing any shortcomings. But we are more than just visitors. We are a part of this city, and we are directly affected by the policies and mechanisms of the City Council and the Mayor's office.

In Ward 1 (UVM's Ward), elections are decided by a very small margin. The student-voting bloc can decide the election. Yes, you can decide the election; you really can choose your next elected official. You can bring to Burlington

what you think she needs and polish

Ian Carleton provides an incredible the issues that you as UVM students most care about. He has been active in the Burlington community, participating in planning and zoning committees and social justice causes. His affiliation with the University is genuine and unfettered. He understands the student experience and believes in student causes.

He has been endorsed by the likes of U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy and former governor Phil Hoff. But most importantly, he understands the value of the university and the students for the community of Burlington. As such, he is very willing to listen to us and work with us to achieve mutual goals.

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If It Walks Like a Commie ...



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

If it walks like a duck, talks like a duck and looks like a duck, it's a duck. Lets leave moral relativism and political correctness aside for a second.

If you walk around spouting the dead ideologies of Marx or Trotsky with a shirt with Che Guevara on it, call your friends comrades and someone calls you a commie, well, stand up and take it on the chin because that person is simply making an observation.

If someone goes further to say "Go to hell, commie," they are only predicting or encouraging that you will join the founders of the Communist ideology in a very hot, unpleasant place. This isn't tagging people you don't like with the tag of Communist for political reasons like McCarthy did; this is simply calling a spade a spade.

name-calling However, accomplishes nothing. If, for

example, Joe calls Bob an f-ing commie and Bob comes back and calls Joe a red-baiter or McCarthyist, where does this leave us? None of this would be occurring if there was at least a modicum of respect on either side for the other. This disrespect originates in the behavior of the Left. With their in-vour-face tactics and ridiculous rhetoric, they dig their own political graves and will never be taken seriously.

This behavior is identical to that of the extremist Right. Here's an idea: Rather than name-calling and self-martyring, de-radicalize yourself and be constructive. If you want to criticize a group, do so for what they have done, not for what you fantasize they will do.

Offer realistic solutions to problems that don't entail tearing the whole system down. If you truly have the courage of your convictions, here's a revolutionary idea: Put up or shut up. Donate your out-of-state tuition, room, board and fees to people who need it more than you do. A homeless family living in a shelter has less money and more need

for a college education than any of us. Instead of proposing to loot the rich to give money to the poor, start with you. Take a look in the mirror and check your own pockets. Lead by example and put YOUR money where your mouth is, instead of putting someone else's money there. Tearing down a system of government to install a utopian Marxist regime has been done and failed numerous times with catastrophic results such as the Union's Gulag Soviet Archipelago and China's Great Leap Forward.

Communism is NOT economic justice and it is not a viable, realistic solution to any problem. Work from within our democratic system for change. Dissent if you must but offer viable solutions instead of insisting on revolutionary structural change.

That is the way to effect change, not with disinformation and propaganda but by identifying problems proposing realistic solutions. Can we please get out of the McCarthyistic 1950s? Find another name for these folks.

Bush Has the Axis of Evil All Wrong



Cynic Columnist

As the Olympic games began, President Bush, sitting amongst the athletes, picked up a cellular phone and spoke to a

Brandon Johnson figure skater's mother. He wished

her

daughter good luck. When leaving, the skater asked the president if he would attend any competitions. He said no: I have a war to

Unfortunately for Bush, the world has its eyes on Salt Lake and not the Caspian Sea. I know he's disappointed. He has to share his spotlight with skaters.

But when the spotlight comes back to him, get ready for Bush to look a little uglier. Why? His axis of evil is backwards. It's not Iraq, Iran and North Korea but an endless war, Enron, and the economy that should scare us more.

About the war, Europe is starting to quiver. Joschka Fischer, the German foreign minister, had to remind the Bush administration that alliance partners are not satellites (those who accuse me of being USSResque best look in the mirror).

Bush's "axis of evil" is all wrong. It's an endless war, Enron, and the failing economy that should scare us.

Hubert VEdrine, the French foreign minister, called the American war strategy simplistic. Chris Patten, the European Union's commissioner for external affairs, warned of US unilateralist overdrive. The Economist even says things are fraying badly across the Atlantic.

Bush's response? More say for the insane, Pentagon's number two man Paul Wolfowitz. Hawk doesn't do him justice, said a onetime associate. What about velociraptor? He is the mad imperialist who believes that the US has the right to end states. Bush is moving in his direction. His two biggest loves: missiles and talk of invading Iraq.

But to invade Iraq would be insane. Not only would it cause the deaths of millions of innocent Iraqis (remember they are not all Sadams who, by the way, was our close ally not too long ago), but it would be the death blow for any alliance against terrorism.

Invading Iraq would be insane. Not only would it kill millions, but it would be a death blow to any alliance against terrorism.

Not only would at further Bush's career as the biggest recruiter for terrorism, but it would also ensure the collapse of any cooperation for a just antiterror campaign. (and I further the claims of Denis Halliday, formerly of the UN, that the current sanctions on Iraq are terror in themselves).

But Bush might decide Wolfowitz is right. The other evils. Enron and the economy. might make him.

As Ken Lay (Kenny Boy to W) refused to testify against Enron, the entire house of cards that the so-called miracle-economy was built on - speculation, lies, debt and increased exploitation began to wobble.

With Bush's economy, we are learning the only thing we have to fear is not fear itself but the highlevel corruption that could leave us penniless, pension-less and without any safety net.

But Bush does not want to go the way of his daddy who the righties all say ended his war too soon (we should have ended it with the nuking of Paris, I guess).

We need to build strong activism on the ground that says No to further war and Justice for those responsible for Enron and the victims of the recession.

Let a New Era Begin at UVM



Cynic Columnist

Israel are staunch allies. We are allies because we have common beliefs in ideals such as democracy, Yehuda Sugarman enterprise and basic human rights. We have

America and

both been forced to contend with terror and have both taken big hits economically because of it.

The carnage continued this past weekend when another suicide bomber (from the radical Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine) struck a pizza store in a Jewish settlement, killing a 14-year-old girl and a 15-year-old boy and wounding 20 others.

Israel responded by destroying Palestinian Authority buildings in the West Bank. The news seems almost repetitive from the daily violence that occurs there.

But what is all the violence for? What is the background of the present situation? Well, there are myths and there are facts that surround this ongoing conflict in the Middle East. If we are to figure out which is which, there must be a fair representation of viewpoints on the matter.

Bringing to campus lecturers who place all the blame on one side, speak half truths and even lie to promote their own agendas is irresponsible and does not help anyone figure out anything.

Unfortunately, this has been the situation at our University. College is meant for academic dialogue and discussion, not propaganda rallies designed to evoke emotions of hate.

Using one's freedom of speech and abusing that right are two very different things. Fortunately, things are about to change on the UVM campus. Students are organizing to bring responsible, well-respected speakers to cam- new era at UVM begins.

pus to address the war on terrorism, the Middle East conflict and other U.S. foreign interests.

The first of such speakers is addressing the UVM community tomorrow evening on "Islam, Terrorism and the Arab-Israeli Conflict." Dr. Mitchell Bard is an internationally recognized expert on the Middle East and has wrote several books on the subject, including Myths and Facts: A Guide to the Arab-Israeli Conflict and The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Middle East Conflict. He will be speaking Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Campus Center

If you have been frustrated by the fringe, fanatical and fascist viewpoints that have dominated the UVM campus, you should be frustrated no more. The monopoly on discussion of foreign policy is over for these propaganda artists and their supporting organizations. Tomorrow at 8 p.m., a

We Must Not Confuse Socialism With Fascism

To the Editor:

A most faulty association has been voiced within the past few months. This has been the claim that socialism is synonymous with fascism and promotes anti-Semitism. Such an assertion could not be farther from the truth. In fact, fascism has historically thrived on the divisiveness within the working class and, conversely, has fallen where solidarity among workers and leftists has remained uncompromising.

The period between WWI and WWII is characterized as a time of recession when working class organization and prospects for a proletarian revolution had begun to take form among the various industrialized countries

Europe. Panic spread among capitalists who feared the loss of their corporate livelihood. These capitalists, having seen their political influence increasingly dissipate, sided with fascism so as to keep the "red menace" at bay.

Fascism grew as a reaction to workers' collective power and won the minds of a dominantly middle-class audience whose individualistic tendencies could only blame the depressing state of the economy on a Jew, a homosexual or a "greedy Marxist." Fascists, including Hitler, have actually come to power because of splits on the left.

In reality, socialists and other leftists groups organized around labor, have a history of fighting anti-Semitism. fascism and

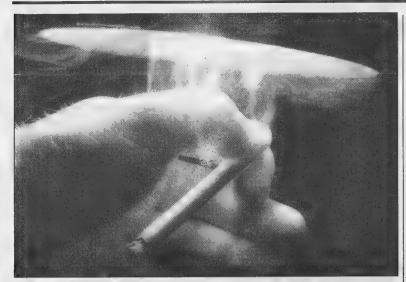
What's more, it is the gradual resurgence of a socialist left today that aspires to ultimately eliminate corporate capital, that which has funded fascism historically and is funding fascism today.

> - Nate Moore Class of 2002

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A Joint Affair

A UVM student holds a joint for the camera.

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-Margaret E. Gross

and Wellbeing

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smoke, the more likely it is that

of motivation," Gross said. "It's

like putting a car in neutral."

Daily users put their car in neutral

from life for a time, but as Gross

puts the feeling, it also makes one

are at a period of transition:

between dependence upon parents

have anyone supervising them

and are afforded the freedom to

Many students get money from

their parents. "Either way," said

Gross, "They will find a way to

get that substance...no matter

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For one, college students don't

Many users see it as an escape

all the time, so to speak.

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"Marijuana use results in a lack

you won't study."

"They'll find a way to get

that substance...no matter

Students Pressured to Use Marijuana

what.'

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Many students turn to marijuana to reduce stress and for recreation.

Often they are attracted by the supposed lack of major sideeffects in using the drug. Marijuana use, for example, does not leave one with a hangover.

An overwhelming number of 82 percent teenagers polled by The Pew Research Center for the People and the Press believed that peer pressure was a major factor with marijuana use.

Lack of parental supervision came in at a close second for 79 percent. "I don't know why I use it," said Lisa, a UVM freshman.

"I guess it's kinda fun. It's a really great way to get to know people and have a good time."

Many users justify their use of marijuana, claiming it has no negative consequences.

"I've been smoking since sixth grade," said Suz, a freshman and daily user.

"I smoke because it doesn't have any effects on my life and I enjoy it."

Dr. Alan Budney, director of the Marijuana Treatment Center, disagrees.

"Regular marijuana use does affect cognitive ability," he said.

"There are even more carcinogens than in tobacco cigarettes. But it hasn't yet been found that it causes cancer."

He also said marijuana can affect academics as well.

Because marijuana influences cognitive functions, such as attention span and short-term memory, most users are not apt to write a four page paper or study for an exam when they're high.

"You don't study when you're high, so the more likely you are to

Lecture Wednesday on Arab-Israeli Conflict

Dr. Mitchell G. Bard, Foreign Policy Analyst and Executive Director of the American-Israeli Cooperative Enterprise will be holding a lecture, "Understanding the Arab-Israeli Conflict," at the University of Vermont in the CC Theatre in Billings at 8 pm on Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2002.

A book signing of his coauthored book, Myths And Facts: A Concise Record of the Arab-Israeli Conflict, will immediately follow the lecture.

-Staff Report

"Kakewalk" Presentation **Thursday**

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the couple with the most outrageous moves would be rewarded with a slice of cake. After being condemned by the Vermont Cynic in 1964 for wearing blackface, the Kake Walkers returned the following year in "Green Face."

The shade of green was practically indistinguishable from the old blackface and the tradition was ultimately banned in 1969 after continual criticism from the Cynic and student body. Now, over three decades later, the Center for Cultural Pluralism is trying to make sense of the tradition this Thursday in Billings Student Center from 6:30 - 9 p.m.

"The program is intended to raise student awareness of overt and covert forms of discrimination and to explain why some people are offended by this practice," said Sherwood Smith, director of the CCP. Miriam French, co-owner of Fire and Metal Goldsmiths, who grew up in Burlington, remembers when the Kake Walk wasn't just a thing of the past. "The Kake Walk was an unconscious sort of racism," French said. As late as the mid-1990s there have been reports of UVM alumni getting together to view screenings of the performance "for old time's sake."

"I can see how this sort of spectacle may have drawn a crowd 100 years ago, but to think that people perpetuate this type of thing to this day is truly disturbing," said senior Emily Horsburgh. A showing of Spike Lee's "Bamboozled," and a presentation by Willi Coleman, Chair of ALANA Studies from the College of Arts and Life Sciences, will follow Thursday's discussion.

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should vote for them. "I have a lot of experience," said Carleton. "I want to bring a balance of power, and represent the residents in Ward 1 fairly.

"I want to bring integrated panels and others to help end the heroin problem in Burlington, work on a permit program for parking and work on student-police relations."

"Being a student, I have the same ideas and issues as the rest of UVM," said Rice.

"I will represent the student body, and they can trust I will represent them."

"I have approachability and integrity," said Nestor.

"I will cross party lines and work with anyone. I already have connections between UVM and the city. I care deeply about civil rights and education. I have the ability to work with all types of people."

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Senior Nominated for National Community Service Award

By MONICA SUTCLIFFE

Senior Keegan Tierney of Starksboro, VT was recently nominated by University of Vermont President Edwin Colodny for the 2002 Howard R. Swearer Student Humanitarian Award. The national award is granted to a student who succeeds in community service and volunteerism.

"Keegan embodies the significance and the spirit of the award, and I cannot think of another student more deserving of the honor," Colodny wrote in his letter of nomination: "He has represented our university well on the local, state and national stages as a model student-active, engaged and caring."

The award, sponsored by the Campus Compact, is given to only five students in the country. Only one student can be nominated from each university or college.

"I feel like I just got lucky,"

'I feel I just got lucky. There are so many people in VIA and the University that do as much or more than I do.'

> -Keegan Tierney Class of 2002

Tierney said, regarding his nomination. "There are so many people in VIA and the University that do as much or more than I do," he said.

Since sophomore year, Tierney has participated in UVM's Alternative Spring Break.

He co-directed the organization for the next two years, and won the President's Award for Outstanding Student Organization in 2000.

Then, in the summer of 2000, Tierney went to Washington, D.C. for the Breakaway summer training institute for alternative break student leaders.

In 2001, Tierney led UVM's TREK program, a community



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Howard R. Swearer Student Humanitarian Award nominee Keegan Tierney pauses for a photo during a shift at Pearl Street Beverage.

service event for first-year students to repair the Long Trail hiking trails.

This fall, following Sept. 11, Tierney helped organize an Alternative Winter Break in New York.

He worked with Ground Zero Food Services to serve meals to rescue workers.

"It was an amazing experience to go to New York. The whole attitude of the city was just amazing," he said.

"There were people working 12 hour shifts five days a week. I couldn't believe it."

With school, work and social obligations, fitting in large-scale projects like Alternative Winter Break into his schedule is a difficult task.

"It took some time to learn how to balance everything," Tierney said

"At one point, community service became a number one priority for me because I enjoyed it so much."

After graduation, Tierney hopes to join Americorps VISTA to incorporate his wildlife biology major, or work for another nonprofit organization.

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College of Medicine Study Examines New Treatment for Early Parkinson's

The University of Vermont College of Medicine is participating in a nationwide clinical study that is looking at the effectiveness of a new treatment for patients diagnosed with early Parkinson's disease.

According to the Parkinson's disease Foundation, between one and one and half million people in the United States suffer from Parkinson's disease. Though the disease typically afflicts people age 60 and over, it can occur as early as age 30. Classified as a neurodegenerative disease, Parkinson's is characterizied by tremors, muscle rigidity, slow movement, poor balance and a shuffling gait.

These symptoms are the result of a loss of brain cells that produce dopamine, a chemical produced in the midbrain that helps control movement. The cause of Parkinson's is still being debated, but many scientists believe that genetics and/or exposure to environmental toxins such as pesticides may be at the root of the disease.

The greatest breakthrough in the treatment of Parkinson's disease was the development in the 1960's of Levodopa or L-DOPA, a drug that converts to dopamine in the brain. Another class of medications, known as dopamine "agonists," binds to and stimulates

dopamine "receptors" in the brain, thus helping to facilitate movement.

The treatment under examination in this study targets a longer dopamine receptor, which scientists believe may be the key to ensuring longer-term benefits with less risk of the motor fluctuations patients can experience with Levodopa.

"Approximately 1500 people in Vermont suffer from Parkinson's disease and roughly 400 of these patients are treated here at the Movement Disorders Clinic," said Professor and Chair of Neurology Robert Hamill, M.D.

"We hope that this new treatment proves effective without producing side effects, such as excessive jerkiness, experienced after longer-term use of Levodopa."

Hamill is the lead investigator of the study at UVM. A total of 89 sites in 27 states—and Puerto Rico are participating in the study, which is expected to last for up to four years so that researchers can determine how well the new treatment performs over time.

UVM researchers are looking for males and females over the age of 30 who have had Parkinson's diesease for less that seven years and are not taking Levodopa to participate in this study. Once enrolled, participants will be

required to make at least 21 visits to UVM's General Clinical Research Center at Fletcher Allen Health Care over a period of roughly 40 weeks.

For more information about participating in the study, contact Gale Weld at the Department of Neurology at (800) 417-8839 or (802) 656-7717.

-University Communications

Jason Robinson's Cynical Inquisition



Are you planning on living in Vermont after graduation?



"I'm not going to stay. It would take a really good graduate law school in VT for me to stay."

Tanya Osol, 2005, Williston, VT



"Yes, I grew up here in the state. I have no real reason to leave."

Jonathon Sanborn, 2004



"I really don't know. It would depend on jobs and cost of living."

Meghan Kirsch, 2004, Tarrytown, NY



"Eventually I will live here. I'm going to travel and then come back. I would stay if someone in my family were sick or I received a good job offer."

> Jennifer Westney, 2005, Springfield, VT

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-Virgin in Vermont

Dear Virgin in Vermont,

That's a tough one. My advice is that you should keep that little secret to yourself until you know the guy is really interested in you. Meeting someone at a party and announcing this information right away might win you a second date, but perhaps for the wrong reasons. You are right in saying that guys have this sick fascination with virgins (hence Brittany Spears!), but using that to your advantage will only bring you heartache in the end. Good luck!

Dear Dr. Love,

My best friend and I got really drunk last weekend and slept together. Now he won't speak to me at all! What does this mean? What should I do now?

-Hung Over in Harris

Dear Hung Over in Harris,

One of the biggest mistakes people make is to become intimate with their best friends. But the sad truth is, it almost always ends like this. Even if the two of you were to be friends again, you would still have the baggage of that night. Chances are that he is ignoring you because he feels guilty. He probably has that classic guy fear that you are now madly in love with him, and consequently would want a relationship (or in some cases, child support).

What you need to do now is not to feed into his ego by trying to contact him and "work things out." As awful as this sounds, if he is not yet willing to speak with you, then he is not yet willing to rekindle the friendship. Spend some time with your real friends, go for a run, make yourself happy. That's about all you can do right now. Maybe he'll come around, maybe he won't, but either way, you guys are going to need some time. Good luck with this one!

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Sub.bionic's Debut *You I*Lov// Released



Photo Courtesy Extasy Records International Sub.bionic has released their 12-track CD, You I Lov//, which produces a sound reminiscent of Pink Floyd.

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Tuckett, a classically trained musician, found his passion for rock music while studying opera in Italy. After graduating from high school, Tuckett moved to Italy, where he wrote an opera and closely listened to Pink Floyd's *The Wall* for the first time.

After returning to Los Angeles, Tuckett met Paxson during a drum circle and formed the foundation of sub.bionic. Of their debut

recording, Tuckett said, "It's a very colorful record." Echoes of Pink Floyd and other classic rockers can be heard in the textures, inventive melodies and crunching intensity of the album.

All songs were recorded by Ronnie Rivera (Madonna) and mixed by Krish Sharna (The Cult). Several talented and experienced musicians contributed to the album, including Nick Lashley (Alanis Morissette) on guitar and Chris Chaney (Methods of Mayhem) on bass.

One song smoothly follows the next, allowing the listener to appreciate the album as one complete unit, while noticing the individual beauty of each track. Especially good tracks include the trance-like "sub.bionic radio" and the dark and pensive "God in Neutral."

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Student Photography Exhibit Opens Today in L/L Gallery

By KATIE MONTICELLO

A rare artistic event will occur on Feb. 19 at UVM's Living/Learning Gallery. Student photographer Michael Heeney will display a series of photos entitled "Lost or Left Behind: Iconic Images of Found Objects."

Joan Watson, Director of the Pottery Co-op and L/L Gallery affiliate, said that exhibits by current students seldom occur. "Michael's work is strong enough to hold an individual show," she said. "He's incredibly creative; he's got an eye and an ability to work with the moment."

The photographs' motif relates to the intangible significance of found objects. "I thought of 'Iconic Images' because...I'm presenting them as a symbol rather than the object," said Heeney. "I wanted to find interesting objects that people can relate to in a way other than what the object is - a symbol of something else."

This specific genre of photography is defined by Heeney as items that are lost or discarded. "They're things that catch my attention, something that I've never seen before, something that's out of the ordinary," said Chad Harter, Director of the Photography Co-op.

Once he finds such objects, he places them in front of a white background and experiments with lighting.

His side lighting techniques focus on illumination coupled with strategic shadowing to allow the emergence of the object's rich textural detail.

Heeney replaces standard window mats with a simple combina-

An opening will be held from 6-8 p.m., on Tuesday, Feb. 19.
The exhibit, "Lost or Left Behind: Iconic Images of Found Objects" will be presented until March 14 in the L/L Gallery.

tion of the photograph shielded by a pane of glass.

"Usually, when you put something behind a mat, it makes it more about the image rather than the actual photograph," Heeney said.

"Window mats...take some of the creativity out of it."

The photos are larger than the sizes of most of the found objects. Such light manipulation and magnification of the objects in the photos expose their normally subtle elements.

Heeney also represents the actual objects next to their corresponding photos. He aims to explore the change in the object's value when it is taken out of its context.

It is a metamorphosis of the potentially mundane into the unique.

For instance, two photos that Heeney describes are of an old broomstick and a flattened piece of twine. His initial ideas of the broomstick were that of a "fetish and a voodoo doll."

The twine appealed to his appreciation for texture, which was developed through its side lighting and photographic enlargement.

Harter characterized Heeney's work as "brilliance," while Watson said, "I love how direct they [his photos] are. They're just these very succinct impressions, and they're very well composed."

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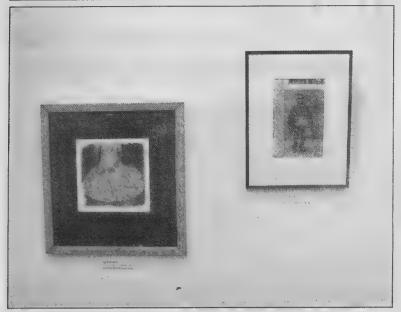
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A Work of Love

Andy Duback/VC Staff

These photographs by Jordan Douglas are part of an art show entitled "Love and Understanding," at the Allen House through Feb. 28.

Weekly Horoscopes

Aries March 21-April 19

A burst of creativity is coming your way, only in an unexpected area...the kitchen! Break out those spices because you are going to be inspired to create a culinary masterpiece!

Taurus April 20-May 20

Ladies, watch your friends this week, because someone is going to try to steal your lover! Fellas, wear your nice shoes and groom yourself properly-love is still in the air the week after Valentine's Day!

Gemini May 21-June 21

Those winter blues are going to end soon! The weather might be crummy, but a ray of sunshine will shine on your mood in a few days. Be ready for a truce with your roommate, a fun class discussion or a wild party.

Cancer June 22-July 22

A job prospect is coming your way! Your hard work is about to pay off. Polish that resume and head to the career fair on Wednesday in Marsh Dining Hall!

Leo July 23-August 22

Pent-up energy is going to come exploding out this week. Head to a concert or go dancing-move that body!

Sep 23-Oct 22

Beware the ice this week. Just because it's covered with snow doesn't mean that it isn't there. A nasty fall could ruin your semester!

Scorpio Oct 23-Nov 21

Go on a road trip! Whether it is a trek cross-country or a ride on the College Street Shuttle, head for an adventure!

Sagittarius Nov 22-Dec 21

You've been partying with no troubles all semester, but that's going to change soon. Keep the noise down and the substance abuse to a minimum, or else you'll have the cops knocking on your door!

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 19

Better start using those shower shoes again...someone with a nasty case of athlete's foot has been using your floor's shower! And make sure there is nothing grody on the toilet seat before you use it.

Aquarius Jan 20-Feb 18

Your eating habits have not been fulfilling your body's needs, and you can tell because you can't seem to wake up. Caffeine and sugary candy can only give brief bursts of energy. Boost your protein intake with some fish or steak. See Aries for help.

Pisces Feb 19-March 20

Having trouble with friends? Release built-up tensions with a good old-fashioned wrestling match. No punching or biting, though...you're trying to make up, not create new problems. Try tickling or a pillow fight. (The Vermont Cynic and its editors are not responsible for injuries sustained in wrestling matches.)



Copenhagen Arrives at the Flynn

Winner of three 2000 Tony Awards including Best Play, the Broadway smash hit Copenhagen by Michael Frayn (Noises Off) is a surprisingly witty and engaging play of ideas about nuclear physics and the development of the atomic bomb. Loyalty is tested, betrayal is suspected, and friendship crosses enemy lines. The New York Times describes the show as "The most invigorating and ingenious play of ideas in many a year. An electrifying work of art."

The Broadway National Tour of *Copenhagen* comes to the Flynn on Friday, Feb. 22, at 8:00 p.m.

Copenhagen is a riveting exploration of the personal relationship between Werner Heisenberg, the head of Nazi Germany's nuclear research and founder of quantum mechanics and the Uncertainty Principle, and his former mentor, Danish physicist Niels Bohr, widely considered the father of atomic physics. Longtime friends whose work together opened the way to the atom, these brilliant Nobel Prize-winning physicists ended up on opposite sides during World War II. Their secretive and perilous meetings in Germanoccupied Denmark in 1941 is still shrouded in enigma and baffles

A compelling work of historical fiction, *Copenhagen* draws on the tensions and contradictions inherent in the personalities of two markedly different friends and colleagues. The interplay of these two great men, as conceived in the words of masterful playwright Frayn, makes for an evening of theater that will both stir your emotions and challenge your intellect.

Tickets for this performance are \$46, \$36 and \$26 and are available in person at the FlynnTix Regional Box Office at 153 Main Street, Burlington, and at the UVM Campus Ticket Store.

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The Jordan Factor



Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

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Even though he turned 39 on Sunday, don't tell me he is over the hill. Putting up 25 a game, only six have better averages then him. So like him or not, Michael Jordan is

a factor. His Airness might not be able to fly like he once used to, but he must be doing something right.

Criticism he took, but no longer could Jordan sit in the press box as an executive and watch the misery that unfolded, also known as Washington

His Airness might not be flying like he once used to, but he must be doing something right.

Wizards' 2000-01 campaign. Enter the Jordan Factor. Jumping in and out of the NBA is nothing new for Mike. Last year, Washington ended the season with a 19-63 record. As I write this, they sit at 26-23 with the six spot in the East on reserve.

If the Wiz can keep winning at this pace, they will end the season with 43 wins, a 24-notch jump from 'pre-Mike.' What about when Jordan sat out all but 17 games of the 1994-95 season and the Bulls tallied 47 wins? That's not bad, but do you know what they did the next year with Jordan suited up on a daily basis? Try 72-10. An increase of, on average, 24.5 wins when he comes out of retirement. If MJ can shape up the lowly Wizards, imagine if he had owned part of another NBA team? I know a few teams that wouldn't have minded him trading in the Armani for some Nikes.

Speaking of teams that might want to have him, or in this case, have him back, the Bulls have won only 44 games over the last two and a half years. It's OK, Chicago, at least you still have the Bears.







Cats Claw Blackbears, 65-44

By LISA OBRENTZ

Freshmen Tiffany Spinka and Lani Boardman stepped up in women's basketball action to help UVM top the University of Maine Blackbears 65-44 Saturday.

Spinka grabbed seven rebounds and added seven points to the Cats' victory. Boardman scored nine points and had two blocks and two steals.

In 29 minutes of play, Spinka came off the bench to do all the little things right to back her team. "She does all the dirty work," commented Coach Keith Cieplicki.

Senior Libby Smith added: "[Spinka] works hard every day, and she makes us all better because of it. She worked hard on every play."

Spinka was able to prove to the fans at Patrick Gym exactly what she is capable of.

"I had an opportunity to work harder, I did whatever I could to help my team," she said.

The victory can also be attributed to the leadership of upperclassmen Dawn Cressman and Smith.

"The final score shows how hard we've been working. Everything just came together today and paid off," said Smith, who pitched in 10 points in her 112th consecutive start for UVM.

"That's what it's about when you put on a Vermont uniform, it's about playing with each



Photo Courtesy University Comm. Smith sneaks around a defender.

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other, playing for our state and our university," she added.

Freshman Katie McNamara and Sophomore Aaron Yantzi scored 10 and 13 points, respectively. Yantzi leads the team in scoring with 16.3 PPG in America East games.

Playing without Junior Morgan Hall (out with a minor knee injury), who recently became the 11th Catamount to score 1000 points, the team came together to secure its 8th consecutive win.

"I like the energy, I like the effort, I like the will. Those are the things that win ball games," said Cieplicki. "It's a sweet victory," concluded Smith.

Coach Cieplicki is just one win away from a career 100. The women next play at home tonight at 7:00 p.m., when they host Binghamton University.

Guilmette Earns Seventh Shot Put Title in America East

Senior captain Jeff Guilmette put on a remarkable performance Saturday, winning his fourth America East indoor shot put title, with a throw of 53 ft., 11 3/4 in.

Guilmette, who is scheduled to have knee surgery in early March, competed on one good leg.

Modifying his technique to minimize the impact on his injured right knee, Guilmette muscled his way to the win, his seventh America East shot put title overall.

"For the last three weeks, he has

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been throwing from a chair and we've been rolling the shot back to him," Coach Ed Kusiak said. "I had my doubts whether he would be able to do it."

"For him to pull this off is a testament to this young man's character," Kusiak said. "When he threw that final shot, his competitors gave him a standing ovation.

"This is one of the most courageous and impressive performances I have ever witnessed."

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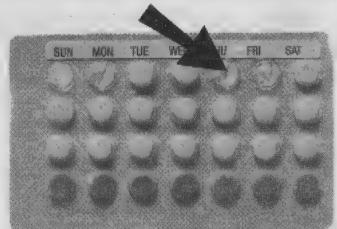
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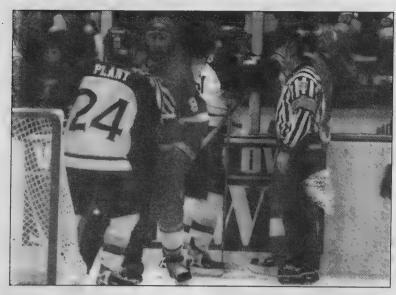
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THE UVM MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM WILL PLAY THEIR FINAL HOME GAME THIS SUNDAY AT 1 P.M. AGAINST HARTFORD

Big Red Romp Cats, 5-2





Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Saturday night showdown at the Gut leaves Jeff Miles and Tim Plant fighting with Cornell, while Coach Gilligan questions a call against the Cats.

Matt McRae scored two goals as Cornell clinched a first-round home playoff series Saturday night with a 5-2 win over Vermont in ECAC Division I men's ice hockey action at UVM's Gutterson Fieldhouse.

Cornell, 18-6-1 overall and 14-3-1 and in first place in the ECAC, took a 1-0 lead at the 4:00 mark of the first period when Matt McRae scored a power-play goal unassisted.

McRae picked the puck out of a group of players to the left of Vermont goaltender Tim Peters, skated into the crease, made a move and slid the puck into the wide-open net.

The Big Red added to the lead midway through the first on David Kozier's rebound goal at 9:37. Kozier won the faceoff in the Vermont zone and pulled it back

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to Doug Murray at the point, who ripped a shot on net that Peters stopped.

Kozier went to the net and poked in the rebound for his fifth tally of the season. Cornell made it 3-0 at 13:23 of the first on Krzysztof Wieckowski's goal from the left wing. Mark McRae and Paul Varteressian assisted on the goal, Wieckowski's ninth of the season

Cornell kept the pressure on in the second period, with Matt McRae getting his second goal of the game from right in front at 1:34. Denis Ladouceur and Charlie Cook picked up assists on the goal, Matt McRae's eighth of the year

Mark McRae added a powerplay goal at 8:42 of the second, with Murray and Stephen Baby assisting.

Vermont, 3-22-2 overall and 3-14-1 in the ECAC, made it 5-1 at 17:02 of the second when captain Ryan Cox scored his fourth goal of the season. Greg Zemple and Chris Hills assisted on the goal.

John Longo scored his fifth power-play goal of the season at 11:16 of the third to cut Cornell's lead to three.

Gerard Miller and Jeff Miles assisted on the goal, Longo's eighth of the season. It came while Vermont was skating 5-on-3 for the second time in the game.

Peters made 15 saves for the Catamounts, while Shawn Conschafter stopped 18 and didn't let in a goal. Cornell's David LeNeveu recorded 16 for the Big Red.

-Sports Info.

Hugs: Secret to Cats' Recent Success?

By LISA OBRENTZ

Vermont's 86-71 home win against Binghamton University last week was the Cats' 18th of the season, second most in school history. Their 11 conference wins tie the school record.

Every week, UVM players earn distinctions in and out of the America East Conference.

Sophomore T.J. Sorrentine was named to the NABC, all-District I, first team, the only non-Big East player among the five.

"It's a great honor to be on there with four Big East players," said Sorrentine, shortly after chipping in 37 points against Binghamton.

'Get over here, you need a hug, I know you need a hug.'

> -Tom Brennan Head Coach

UVM was ranked fourth in the pre-season coaches poll. The Cats currently have a one-game cushion over second-place Boston University.

What has helped the Cats play so well? It could be the hugs. After this year's worst offensive performance by the team in its 45-61 loss to Albany, Coach Tom Brennan seemed to think his team needed an extra boost.

"Get over here, you need a hug, I know you need a hug," he announced to Sorrentine.

"He fought it a little bit, but he accepted it, and I think the difference tonight was the hug," said

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Brennan after the win over Binghamton.

Sorrentine scored 37 points, and has gone 25-for-38 (66%) from three-point range in his past three games at Patrick Gym. The guard often takes the weight of his team's fate on his shoulders.

"We have high standards for that young man, and he has a lot for himself," said Brennan. Senior cocaptain Trevor Gaines and Freshman Taylor Coppenrath both performed a "double-double" against Binghamton.

Gaines scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, and Coppenrath added 11 points and 12 rebounds.

As UVM prepares to play its last three games of the season before the America East Championships, the team realizes that there is still work to be done.

"We need to prove we-can play on the road," remarked Sorrentine. Five of UVM's six losses have been on the road.

Another matter to keep in mind is the youth of this team.

"The only thing that scares me is that we're just so young, I can see that the minutes are really taking their toll on them," said Brennan.

Despite their fatigue, the freshmen have been reliable throughout the season as noted by Brennan:

"Hehn and Goia both did good jobs for us. We only have a chance to win this thing if the freshmen help us. And it's really hard to rely on freshmen to gain something of this magnitude."





February

Calendar of Events, February 19-25

19 Tuesday

3:30-4:50 p.m. Lecture: "Vieques: Colonialism, Militarism and Environmental Destruction," Robert Rabin, Community Leader. Part of the ENVS Seminar Series on Environmental Justice and Natural Assets. Terrill 108. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176

6:00- 8:00 p.m. Reception: "Lost or Left Behind: Iconic Images of Found Objects," Michael Heeney's black and white photographs. Exhibit runs today through March 14. Living/Learning Gallery.

6:00-9:00 p.m. Film: "The Joy Luck Club." Snacks Provided. Part of Chinese & Vietnamese New Year Celebration. 34 S. Williams St. Information: The Women's Center, 656-4637.

7:00- 8:00 p.m. Presentation: "The Megatransect: Walking across the heart of Africa," Michael Fay. Campus Center Theatre. Information: 656-4057.

7:00-8:30 p.m. Women's Basketball: Vs. Binghamton. America East Conference Game. Patrick Gymnasium.

7:30 p.m. Performance: Mary Black. A legend in her homeland of Ireland, Mary Black has long held the attention of the followers of Irish music as one of the finest vocalists in the world. Flynn Center of Performing Arts. \$28.50/23.50.

20 Wednesday

4:00-6:00 p.m. Talk: "Virginia Hasn't Always Been for Lovers: The History of Laws Banning Interracial Marriage in the US." Phyl Newbeck, author. Part of Black History Month. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill. Information: Center for Cultural Pluralism, 656-8833.

5:00-7:00 p.m. Exhibit: Genaelogy Project: An Installation by Adriane Colburn. Runs February 20- March 1. Francis Colburn Gallery, Williams Hall. Information: Nadine Carpenter, 656-2014.

8:00- 10:00 p.m. Talk: "Islam, Terrorism, and the Arab-Israeli Conflict," Dr. Mitchell G. Bard, Executive Director, Foreign Policy Analyst and Author. Book signing to follow. Campus Center Theatre, Billings Student Center. Information: 656-1153.

21 Thursday

12:30- 1:30 p.m. Seminar: "Climate Change, Globally Decreasing Solar Radiation and Evaporation in Israel." Shabtai Cohen, Research Scientist, Northeastern USDA Forest Service. Room104. Aiken Center. Information: 656-3269.

4:00-5:00 p.m. Seminar: "Analysis of Functional Protein Interactions in Drosophila Flight Muscles Through the Study of Mutant Proteomes," Dr. Jim Vigoreaux, Department of Biology. Upcoming Pharmacology seminars may be viewed at http://pharmweb.med.uvm.edu/seminar/2001/jan2002_july2002.htm.

6:00-9:00 p.m. Film: "Bamboozled" and "Kake Walk." Part of Black History Month. Campus center Theatre, Billings Student Center. Please register for seating. Information: Willie Cruz, 656-7990.

7:30-9:30 p.m. Film: "Yo soy Cuba." In Spanish & Russian w/English subtitles. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 656-3196, visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

8:00-10:00 Music: Rhythm & Brews with Gregory Douglass. Bring your own mug for some free coffee, tea, or hot chocolate and enjoy the music.

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12:00-1:00 p.m. Health Group: Mindfulness Practice Group. Weekly group includes a 25- minute sitting practice, sharing of readings, and group discussion. Newcomers always welcome. Information: 656-3340.

7:00-8:30 p.m. Men's Hockey: Vs. Yale. Gutterson Fieldhouse.



Mary Black
Photo Courtesy of Lane Series
Mary Black performs at the Flynn Center of
Performing Arts on Tuesday, February 19.

23 Saturday

9:00-2:00 p.m. Community Service: Community Works 1. Service events to give back to the greater Burlington community. Information: contact kflanagl@zoo.uvm.edu.

6:30-7:30 p.m. Talk: Roots of gospel music, Dr. Francois Clemmons. Amy E. Tarrant Gallery at Flynn Center, free.

7:00- 8:30 p.m. Men's Hockey: Vs. Princeton. Gutterson Fieldhouse.

8:00 p.m. Concert: John Hammond's Wicked Grin- The Blind Boys of Alabama featuring Clarence Fountain. MainStage at the Flynn Center. \$29.50/26.50.

24 Sunday

3:00 p.m. Recital: Faculty Chamber Music Recital. Southwick Music Complex Recital Hall. Free and open to the public.

7:00- 8:30 p.m. Men's Basketball: Vs. Hartford. An America East Game. Patrick Gymnasium.

25_{Monday}

3:30- 4:50 Lecture: Topic TBA. Veronica Eady, Massachusettes Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. Part of the ENVS Seminar Series on Environmental Justice and Natural Assets. Kalkin 001. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176.

4:00- 5:30 p.m. Speaker: "Reconstructing the Past through the Study of Human Remains: Biological Aspects of Archaeological Research in Ancient Bolivia." Deborah Blom, Archeology Department. Refeshments served at 3:50 p.m. Marsh Life Sciences Building, Room 105. Information 656-2922.

Is there a cultural event we should know about? Need some more publicity for an event on campus or in Burlington? Write us with more information at cynic@zoo.uvm.edu. Call at 656-4413.

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Fogel May Opt Out of Official House



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Englesby House, located on the corner of College St. and Main St., has been the University president's official residence since 1958. Built in 1914 by Dr. William H. Englesby, the house is on the National Register of Historic Places. Dr. Englesby practiced medicine in Burlington from 1899 until he died in 1933. The house was willed to UVM when Dr. Englesby's wife died in 1956.

UVM President-Elect Concerned About Privacy

By DAMON LUCIANO

When President-elect Daniel Fogel assumes his position at the University this July, he may choose not to live in Englesby house, the presidents' official residence since 1958.

According to the terms of his contract, Fogel will have up to one year to decide if he wants to live in Englesby house.

If he chooses not to live in the house, UVM will grant him a monthly housing allowance of \$1,800 to pay for alternative housing.

Although neighborhood noise was brought to Fogel's attention, privacy is the president-elect's main concern in considering an alternative to living in the official residence, according to Director of University Communications Enrique Corredera.

Located at the corner of College St. and Main St., Englesby House hosted more than 100 official functions last year, and sits near two fraternities in a neighborhood full of students.

The house neighbors the Vermont Alpha Chapter of Phi Theta Delta, and is across College St. from Sigma Phi fraternity.

While noise violations were not filed against either of the houses last year, an apartment building across the street has been loud in the past, neighbors say.

Some have raised concerns that the president may be less of a presence on campus if he elects to live in another location, but Corredera believes Fogel will nonetheless be a strong influence on campus.



Photo Courtesy University Comm. President-elect Daniel Fogel will assume his position at UVM in July.

"From what I know about Daniel Fogel, he is going to be a very visible and accessible president on campus," he said.

He also said that, so far, students have not reacted negatively to the prospect that Fogel may not live in Englesby House.

UVM sophomore Brian Botehlo, a brother at Sigma Phi fraternity, said that he has bumped into UVM presidents in the past, and they have visited the fraternity house before.

"He probably just saw the location and what surrounded it," Botehlo said, concerning reports that Fogel was worried about neighborhood noise.

Blake Browne, another neighborhood resident and UVM student, also reported seeing past presidents in the area, including Interim President Edwin Colodny, who has stopped to talk to Sigma Phi fraternity brothers on a number of chance occasions.

"We made cookies for the neighbors," said Browne of the Colodnys, who live across the street. "His wife made cookies President-elect Dan Fogel may be the first not to live in the University president's official residence since 1958.

for us." President-elect. Fogel requested the housing allowance during negotiations for his contract. According to the terms of Fogel's contract, which were agreed upon on Feb. 15 of this year, UVM's Board of Trustees reserves the right to require Fogel to move into Englesby House or another official residence in the future.

If Fogel elects to exercise the housing allowance option after June 30, 2003, which will mark the end of Fogel's first year as president, the Board of Trustees may revoke Fogel's right to live at Englesby House.

His contract also gives him the right to have moving expenses paid, housekeeping services, compensation for business-related expenses and staffing for official events held at his home, regardless of where he chooses to live.

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Town Meeting Day Central to Burlington Politics

MONICA SUTCLIFFE

For nearly 200 years, Town Meeting Day has been a recognized Vermont holiday in its 237 towns and nine cities.

On the second Tuesday in March, state offices, schools and many businesses are closed as citizens gather for town meeting.

For the city of Burlington, Town Meeting Day gives community members a chance to vote in local elections.

"Burlington, because of its size, has a somewhat different process on Town Meeting Day," said Burlington Mayor Peter Clavelle.

"Of course, we still have our lively discussions and debate forums preceding it, but on this day-we vote."

While the population of Burlington prevents a comprehensive town meeting on various local issues, like other cities, Burlington's citizens vote on the town budget and elect city council members. Students at UVM have an opportunity to participate in politics, as well.

"Anyone who considers themself to be a resident of Burlington, even if he/she otherwise live outof-state, has a chance to become involved," said Clavelle.

"Students are encouraged to ing has a big impact."

become involved and engaged in community affairs."

Christopher Ettori, Vice President of the College Democrats and a senior at UVM, agrees.

"Voting is one of the most important things a student can do. They don't think it makes a difference – but it really does. The decisions can and do affect students very directly."

One example Ettori notes is a fairly recent housing ordinance which prohibits more than four unrelated tenants to live in the same household.

"If students had become more involved, and made their voice heard, things might be different today."

Within the past decade or so, town meeting has shown a decline in active contribution to local politics.

Many people recognize they have a day off, but do not attend the meeting.

"People don't participate as much anymore and it's unfortunate," said Tony Gierzynski, political science professor at UVM.

"There are a number of battles and voting makes a big difference. I know it sounds kinda cliché to vote, but the fact is, it's true – voting has a big impact."

Crime Statistics Indicate Decline in Sexual Assaults at UVM

Victim's Advocates Claim Most Incidents Go Unreported

ALEX ANDREWS

According to UVM Police Services Annual Crime Statistics, 2001 saw the lowest reported incidents of sexual assault since 1998, when the statistics were first

While a recent study conducted by the Department of Justice found that about one out of every 20 women are victims of rape or attempted rape on college campuses each year, there were no official reports of sexual assault at UVM in 2001.

However, Victim's Advocate Anne Smith of the UVM Women's Center warns the statistics may be misleading.

"Most cases of sexual assault are not reported due to barriers that confront the victim," Smith said. "Fear that the perpetrator will retaliate, if reported, is a major concern."

The University of Vermont recently received a major federal grant of roughly \$295,000 in an effort to promote prevention programs and victim advocacy.

The crux of this effort is vic-

tim empowerment. Working in conjunction with off-campus organizations such as the Women's Rape Crisis Center, the

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Courtesy Con Hogan

Con Speaks Today

Gubernatorial candidate Con Hogan will speak in John Dewey Lounge today at 6:30 p.m. He is the third in a series of leading gubernatorial candidates to visit campus to discuss environmental issues as part of ENVS-195, Politics and the Environment class.

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Raise Awareness of Sexual Assault

UVM Police Services report that no sexual assaults occurred on campus during 2001. But this statistic fails to tell the whole story.

According to national studies, one in 20 college women will be raped this year. That means that nearly a whole UVM dorm full of women will experience this sort of sexual assault in the next year.

Clearly, the problems of rape, sexual assault and sexual harassment are still pressing and still require a great deal of work. However, a discrepancy exists between the number of rapes reported and the number that actually occur.

Women feel a great deal of pressure not to report rape or sexual assault, either for fear of retaliation by the perpetrator or fear of the reactions of those around them. Additionally, these acts are most often committed by people close to the victim.

For these reasons, education around these

frequency with which acts of sexual violence occur, and we must work to understand both the sources and the impacts of

The University recently received a \$295,000 grant with which to fund precautionary measures against sexual assault. This money should be used to install more safety devices, such as the Blue Lights, which allow people to immediately contact police services in an emergency.

Just as importantly, it should also fund more events dealing with violence throughout society. Hopefully, through sustained debate, we can create an atmosphere of increased understanding and tolerance.

Then, women will be better able to report rape and sexual assault, thus helping combat these social problems by raising consciousness and by aiding in the implementation of practical solutions.

With this work, we can help make a safe issues is imperative. People must realize the and healthy environment for everyone.

Fogel Should Revitalize Academics

The University of Vermont recently signed a contract with its new presidentelect, Daniel Fogel. The University needs committed leadership to bring about positive change.

It also needs a president who will be "visible and accessible on campus," terms that Director of University Communications Enrique Corredera used to describe his expectations of how the new president will behave when he arrives. Visibility and accessibility are important, but Fogel's first goal should be to revitalize academics.

To start with, UVM needs to shift its focus towards academics and community service. Improving academics will require a more selective admissions process. This would provide the school with two major

First, students who are more interested in academics are preferred by professors, so better recruiting will improve the working lives of UVM professors. This would, in turn, put the school in a better position to recruit professors, the most dedicated and capable of whom generally want to work in an atmosphere in which academics are students' primary concern. Salaries, of course, must keep pace with any improvements in the school's reputation in order to keep these hypothetical professors from leaving.

Secondly, regaining UVM's past reputation for academic excellence would draw a larger number of applicants, allowing the school to be more selective during the admissions process in future years.

Mutually reinforcing trends have their place in economics, where economic expansions feed themselves due to a phenomenon known as the multiplier effect. Similarly, economic contractions are self-reinforcing.

The same is true in a university. When a university gains a reputation as a party school, the quality of applicants and students tends to decline. Similarly, improving a school's academic reputation will result in higher quality applicants and larger applicant pools to choose from, giving Admissions the freedom to be more selective and to maintain a reputation for academic excellence.

To reverse past declines in academic performance here would place UVM in a more competitive position relative to other nationally known state research institutions.

Unfortunately, because of the party school atmosphere, students may have become accustomed to less rigorous academic standards. This may mean that UVM will have to devote more resources to helping students succeed where they are lagging behind.

Still, improvements made in the short term, which place the school in a more competitive position in terms of recruiting students, should be self-reinforcing as the school's reputation and student body improve.

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SGA President Endorses Nestor

To the Editor:

I urge the UVM community to support Erika Nestor, the Progressive City Council Candidate, in the upcoming March 5 election.

Erika was the coordinator of the Chittenden County Freedom to Marry Task Force — a grassroots effort that was instrumental in passing Vermont's landmark civil union bill.

As a UVM doctoral student and UVM employee, Erika has been an unwavering advocate for gay / lesbian / transgender rights both on and off campus.

I have known Erika for two years and have been continually impressed by her passion for the issues. Her vision for social justice is broad.

Her leadership in hosting MLK day

activities and many women's conferences on campus has demonstrated her commitment to an actively engaged cam-

Relations between the town and the University are better now than they have been in decades.

As a UVM doctoral student and employee, Erika is extremely knowledgeable about campus life and understands the value UVM brings to Burlington.

Erika wants to build upon these continually improving relations. I know she is the right person to do it.

I encourage you to vote for Erika Nestor on March 5.

> Bill Tickner SGA President

Democrats Promote Fuzzy Math, Too

To the Editor:

Democrat Matt Montross's letter to the editor two weeks ago asked voters to shift power "away from an absolute, unchecked Progressive majority" on the Burlington City Council.

George W's fuzzy math must be spread-

With 14 seats, the Burlington City Council currently has six Progressives, four Democrats, two Republicans and two Independents.

Six people cannot outvote eight. Progressives have NEVER had a majority on the Council.

Progressives have built productive coalitions to advance an ambitious platform of environmental sterwardship, sustainable development and social justice.

Why is this divisive Democrat more

worried about Burlington's balanced tripartisan Council than all the bipartisan state and national legislative bodies that always have one party in control?

Progressives have sought to clean up politics by throwing out PAC contributions and enacting strict campaign finance laws.

Unfortunately, Democratic Governor Dean is trying to gut Vermont's landmark campaign finance reforms right now.

I'm sorry, but I am more worried about the big parties reaching into the pockets of corporate America than a grassroots political movement that has made Burlington a thriving, tolerant and engaged community.

> Julie Britt SGA Vice President

Carleton Addresses Student Issues

To the Editor:

As the town meeting day approaches this year, hopefully many of you will vote for candidates that will truly serve the community.

One such candidate who will surely fulfill his duties if elected is Ian Carleton, the Democrat running for the Ward 1 seat in City Council.

Ian is concerned with the issues that we as students voice, and wants to see that we have a chance to be heard in the decisions that are made in Burlington.

Many of the issues Ian plans to bring up once elected include the police presence in the dorms, the parking problems that the University has encountered and the housing problems UVM students face when trying to move off campus.

As a practicing attorney in Burlington with a very large political background, he is more than qualified to take this seat in City Council and help facilitate the changes that need to be made in our community.

So when Town Meeting Day rolls around next week, make sure you send in your vote for Ian Carleton.

> Sheryl Sukolsky Class of 2004

Dubin Announces SGA Candidacy

To the Editor:

On Friday, Feb. 22nd, Adam Dubin announced his candidacy for President of the Student Government Association.

Some of the issues Adam plans to address include diversity, awareness of the SGA and student-police relations.

He plans to address issues improving academics, direct bus service between Redstone and Main Campus, increasing parking availability, improving the Greek system and preventing tuition increases.

Adam had a proven record of being a hard-working and effective leader.

During the past summer, he ran a successful campaign in New York City. He is involved in many activities on campus including being the Chairman of the Harris/Millis Community Council and serving on the Student Government Senate.

As President of the Student Government, Adam will work hard to lead the University on a prosperous path.

His record shows that he can be trusted to be a hard-working leader who will make changes to the University.

He looks forward to serving all the students. He hopes to have your vote on March 12 and 13 at the library.

> Krystopher Hettrick Class of 2004

Cynic Article Misrepresents Marijuana Use

To the Editor:

The most recent article regarding the use of this plant was one - sided and completely inconsiderate

The article points out the increased use of marijuana among college students and concludes that this has become "a problem for young adults." The article is correct in saying that marijuana has caused a problem for many young adults; however, the real problems are arrest and prosecution. In fact, the FBI's division of Uniform Crime Reports, Crime in the United States: 2000, published in October, 2001, stated that the number of marijuana arrests in local police was, in the year 2000, the largest in history, at a whopping 734,498! And 88 percent of those arrests were for possession, not sale or manufacture, and let's not forget the statistics UVM has come to be so proud/ashamed of.

The second comment, which I felt was incorrect, compared the affects of marijuana on the human brain to putting a car in neutral, a gear that makes the car useless. That implication is not only ridiculous but completely untrue. A study found that although many of the students needed slightly more time to complete the test while high on marijuana, their accuracy was unaffected. To vilify and libel marijuana users by implying that they will do anything to get their fix is ridiculous, unfounded and completely unnecessary.

The truth is that what the majority of people, who have never tried marijuana or done research on it, think they might know about this plant, is either misinformation or government propaganda. I would urge anyone who has an interest in this plant to educate themselves by looking past the government's million dollar ad campaigns and by looking at some of the factual and scientific information.

Patrick Trentalange
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savoring the balmy breeze, basking in the sultry weather that is February in Vermont.

Ah, what a

fine, warm win-

ter day it is as I

stroll to class,

Ashley Lyons in Vermont.

Cynic Columnist Wait a minute ...

where the hell am I? "This is a skier's Gehenna!" rings one resounding

Not a winter sports maven myself, I am still disappointed that the northern climate is mimicking that of Connecticut, a state of confusion in meteorological terms.

States: 2000, published in Connecticut's winter sky is October, 2001, stated that the number of marijuana arrests in the United States by state and local police was, in the year Connecticut's winter sky is what you might call a tease, stark and white, with swirls of frigid air, but with nary a flake of snow to be seen.

But as of yet, Vermont has not proven to be more than a flirt, either. It even takes its fickle nature a step further, breathing an indisputable heat on the many walking Burton and Rossignol billboards, children flung down an incline on slabs of metal as soon as they could physically remain upright.

I am still disappointed that the northern climate is mimicking that of Connecticut, a state of confusion in meteorological terms.

And these children are not happy. Neither are those individuals enticed by the serene, picturesque wiles said to be far-flung in our Green Mountains and her offshoots.

And laughably, so many people still deny the Greenhouse effect, rolling their eyes heavenward at the merest mention of Ozone layer depletion. Goofy little gases that cook up earth 'till she's warm and toasty? NEIN!

Well, I'm really rather unsure how such a phenomenon can be denied any longer. Geographically, we are almost Canada, a largely untamed expanse of pristine and shivery tundra. But in reality, our ground is like the face of a prepubescent: smooth like buttah. Your average ten-year-old has no facial hair, and we have no snow.

Winter is two-thirds over and I have had no urge to run kicking and screaming back to my, historically speaking, comparatively warm state, holding my blistered flesh-and that's what I'd been promised. I would sort of like the challenge, but this year may not hold such a Polar Bear's delight.

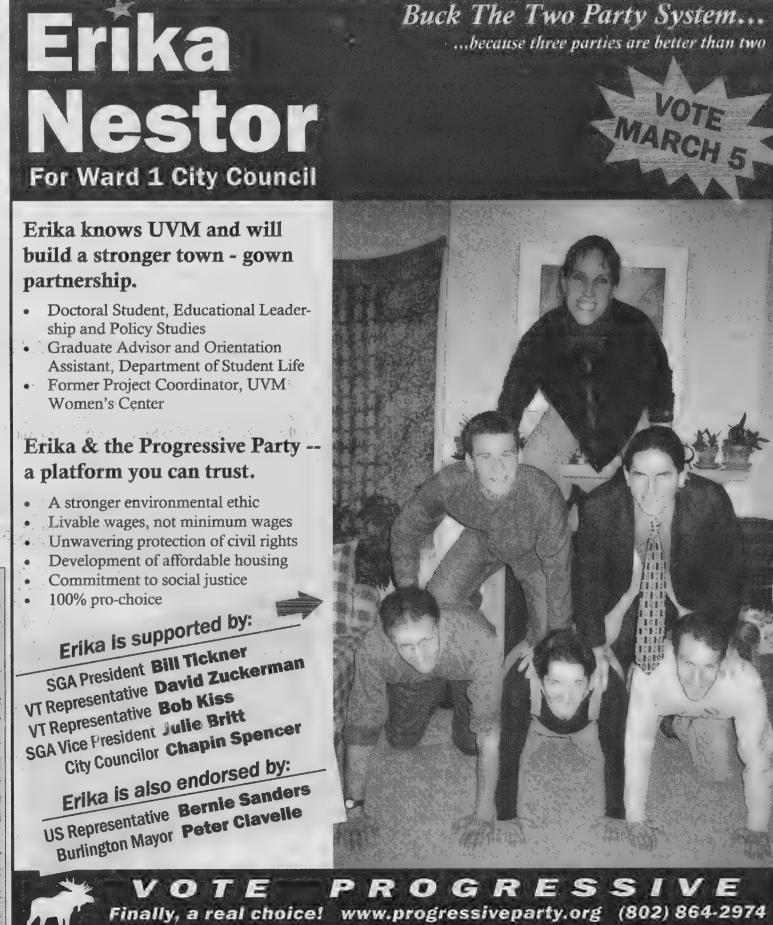
Moreover, the recent onslaught of visiting prefrosh, the very students we wish to seduce with our theoretically white and fluffy thoroughfare and landscape, are reduced to allurement from other, less reputable sources.

The minute their moms are at a meet and greet with other mater-

nal types? "Yo," comes a sly whisper, "How much can you party?" Formerly, the question would have been, "Can I ski to class?" Or, "Is there a course on making snow angels?" Perhaps, "Are snowboards included in tuition?" Now, though, "Does UVM have its own beer?" has taken the place of inquiries pertaining to delicious, inclement weather.

Your average 10-year-old has no facial hair, and we have no snow.

I daresay, if Old Man Winter has been mutinied against by some punkass kid, we the people of UVM are here to fight in the name of the frosty elderly. Until we receive such confirmation, though, we can only hope for a booming "JUST KIDDING!" and await several feet of rich, frozen precipitation conducive to one hell of a Vermont winter.



Gain for his Filka Nestor for City Council Laura Massell Treasurer

Dirty Deals in City Council?



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

criminated against group on campus are drivers. The fault lies not completely with the University. It lies at least in part with the of

The most dis-

especially Burlington, Progressive-controlled Ward

It's almost comical to watch hapless students cruise Loomis, College, South Williams and South Prospect Street looking for a spot that doesn't attract the attention of the watchful parking SS that so eagerly hunt offending cars to ticket and hook to a Spillane's tow-truck.

One student, after parking on University Heights, wound up actually getting in a foot race with a Spillane's tow-truck driver to get to her car. As the driver raced from the cab of his truck, the poor student ran from the driveway of the house at which she was parked.

The driver won by a fraction of a second. Out of breath, the driver panted, "I'm towing this car." It took a police officer from the oft-maligned UVM Police to send the overzealous tow-trucker packing.

Mansfield Avenue is a street that has houses with large driveways on one side and a couple of schools on the other. A week before the election, brand new 'Residents Parking Only' signs went up on the street all the way to Colchester Ave., declaring the area in front of the Red Cross, Planned Parenthood and a University building, 'Residents Parking Only.'

Every car parked on the street had Wednesday orange envelopes with fifteen-dollar parking tickets on their wind-

Most of the houses in the new 'Residents Parking Only' area also have Progressive "Erika Nestor for City Council" signs as well. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out what happened.

How does a Ward get this kind of service at the same time that it's in danger of losing its Progressive monopoly on city council to Democrat Ian Carleton or Republican Nathan Rice?

Most of the houses that now have 'Residents Parking Only' signs in front of them also have "Erika Nestor Progressive for City Council" on their lawns as well. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out what happened.

The parking on South Willard was halved this year, and the parking on North Prospect and the top half of Brooks Ave. is for residents only. Park in the UVM visitors' lot, and on top of the money you pay to park there comes an additional thirty-dollar ticket for parking in a restricted

Park near a dorm and they'll hit you up for \$50.00, even if you're just visiting or G-d forbid, moving in or out.

Town Meeting Day is next Tuesday. Both Carleton and Rice have made student parking an issue that they will address. We can reinstall a party that has done NOTHING for the students, NOTHING for the community (except for perhaps the coming Methadone Clinic) and an overpriced downtown grocery store.

As for the off-campus students - one nice Progressive came to my door talking about the benefits of Rent Control.

If you want to see the current housing shortage get worse, vote Progressive. If you want to see the parking shortage get worse, vote Progressive. If you think balance is a good thing, let's put Rice or Carleton in there and see what he can do.

Socialism Has Nothing to Do With Stalinism



Brandon Johnson Cynic Columnist

Reading last week's paper, I felt bamboo-I was zled. made out to defend Stalin, Mao, North Korea, the lot of them. As if they had anything to do with socialism, or with what

the socialists on campus are working for. Preposterous.

And for the record, I was not born in 1980 rooting for the USSR hockey team in Lake Placid; I'd have pulled strongly for the Yanks: I love the under-

But the issue of the USSR, China, North Korea, even Cuba, has to be cleared up.

Not only for a retort to the ridiculous right, but also for a clarification for those on the left who are the best defenders of justice today.

Socialism, in short, is the struggle to wrest control of society from the minority for the majority; that is, to argue for a world based on human need and not corporate (or capitalist) greed.

Stalinism with China and North Korea today insists that a minority party can give freedom while exploiting their people unconscionably.

Socialism, in short, is the struggle to wrest control of society from the minority for the benefit of the majority. Stalinism is the absolute negation of this project.

Socialism had and has nothing to do with these countries. In fact, as Socialists, we are even harder on these countries than the US.

Socialists argue that China needs a revolution to replace oppression with liberation. Capitalist Bush wants a strong

If you think free market capitalism is beautiful, go to Russia. Or, better yet, go to Argentina where freemarket reforms have left a third of the country unemployed and fearing starvation.

Chinese government that exploits its people so as to acquire trade deals with the World Trade Organization that would put more profits in the coffers of US business, funded by the literal sweat, blood and starvation of China.

And how about the former

Boris Yeltsin omised that only a few years of free-market shock therapy would bring Russia to rival the West.

A decade after the fall of the Berlin Wall (an event all socialists were cheering, by the way) and Russia is in even worse condition than it was before. The Republicans like free-market capitalism? Go to Russia. See how beautiful it really is.

Better vet. Go to Argentina. CNN does not report it but that country is undergoing a revolution under the free-market deforms that left almost a third of the country unemployed and fearing starvation.

Think America is invincible? Real workers' wages have not risen since the seventies.

Enron is spreading. So is the recession. those on the right act as if the Cold War is still going and McCarthy is hitting his prime. Is Stalinism the Republican defense against the injustices in the world today? I guess so.

Stalin's dictatorial counter-revolution against avid democracy was a revolution Socialism, not for it.

Those who want justice in this world know not to be cowed by the right. And yes, socialists will be among them.

High Referral Rate Hurts UVM's Image

To the Editor:

While I do believe that morale around campus could use an injection of adrenaline, I refuse to let people blame such apathy around campus on drugs and alcohol.

During the week, the students who drink so much that they cannot complete their work and ignore their deadlines may want to take a year away or forget college altogether.

I hate to say it, but "survival of the fittest" is the name of the game, and if you can't cut it with drugs or alcohol in your life then the decision is up to you and no one else.

Most people have this figured out already...so I'll just skip to the next issue.

WE ARE #1 IN DRUG REFERRALS! Way to go UVM, we're #1 in something...This in no way reflects UVM's drug abuse compared to other schools. This #1 rank is a complimentary gesture of our administration and not of our student body.

Not a school in the country puts more effort into solving such a miniscule problem as "which dorm room is the smoke coming from?'

At first I thought it might be just a ploy on the part of the administration to suck every penny away from their students,- and I still believe that is part of it (read the article in the Seven Days on UVM's funding).

I think the other side of the story and the part that the administration will argue is the "image problem" with UVM. It's like UVM thinks it's the only school with drug and alcohol abuse.

A word to the incoming president — reverse this downward academic and social spiral at UVM, and focus on teaching us and organizing activities.

Change this disgraceful trend because #1 in drug referrals isn't any better for the "image."

> Adam Oransky Class of 2003

Carleton Shows Dedication Improving City

To the Editor:

With Town Meeting Day just a week away, it is extremely important for UVM students to send in their ballots and vote. We have the power to make a difference and be heard in the local elections. So, if you live in Ward One, please vote for Ian Carleton, a Democrat and the best choice for UVM and Burlington.

Ian Carleton has listened carefully to students' opinions and will be our greatest advocate on City Council.

From police and parking issues to social justice and environmental concerns, he promises to bring our issues to the table in

Most importantly, Ian Carleton has run a clean, positive campaign on the basis of his abilities, experience and beliefs, not simple rhetoric.

Despite his youth, he has an amazing history of working in public interest areas from teaching elementary school to working in legal aid and for the VT Public Research Interest Group.

Ian Carleton does not just talk the talk, but has shown us his dedication to political activism and to making a difference in the community.

Ian Carleton has proven, through past and current work, his dedication to making our community a stronger, better place to live. Because of this

listen, his appeal stretches across party lines.

So, vote by March 5 for Ian Carleton, the most experienced, devoted candidate and UVM's voice for City Council.

> Adam Norlander Class of 2004

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Athena and Ellen

Andy Duback/VC Staff Athena, an owl from the Vermont Wildlife Rescue Association, visited biology classes on Wednesday with Ellen Martinsen.

Lecture Tonight on Arab-Israeli Conflict

Second in a series, UVM Hillel and the Vermont Israel Student Alliance (VISA) are bringing speaker Neil Lazarus to present an overview of Israel's policies regarding the ongoing Al-Aqsa Intifada.

This overview of the Arab-Israeli conflict is sponsored by the Israeli Consulate and USD/Hagashma.

The event will be held in the Waterman Memorial Lounge, tonight at 8 pm.



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Nearly Half of College Seniors in Heavy Debt

In the past two years, credit card debt has been an increasing problem among students, especially now that employers look at credit reports before hiring.

Forty-five percent of graduating seniors are more than \$12,000 in credit card debt, a figure six times higher than the national average for all age groups, said John Waskin, the founder and executive director of American Credit Counselor's Corpet to because here sould differ

"The difficulty with having debt as a student is you have no income to pay it back," he said.

While credit cards can be useful in emergencies, he said

students "use the card whenever credit counselor for the because they don't see the billit gives them the wrong mes-

In a credit card usage analysis conducted by the Nellie Mae Foundation in December, ·2000, 78 percent of students had credit cards and a credit history - an 11 percent increase from

Average credit card debt among students rose from \$1,879 to \$2,748 during the same time period, and 32 percent of students who had a credit card in 2000 owned four or more cards, the study found.

Verena Smith, a certified

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Southeast Maryland, attributes the increase in student credit card debt to the previously successful economy and students' lack of education.

"It is very important that [students] are educated," she said. "I think students don't realize how easy it is to get into debt and to have the whole process become uncontrollable."

Smith said that, at times, companies expect parents to foot the bill if students fall into

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Senior Night at the Gut

Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Catamount hockey fans show their spirit wearing brown bags with faces and the names of seniors who played their final home hockey game at UVM.

Seniors Pay Heavy Price

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debt, but the fastest growing group, of people declaring bankruptcy are those younger than 25.

While both Waskin and Smith said credit cards can be useful in cases of emergency, they agreed students rack up debt using the cards to pay for things like pizza and clothing without realizing the amount they are spending.

"They have to look at how much is coming in and how much they spend," he said. "It's a very old concept. It's called living within your means, but that's hard in this society."

Senior psychology major Amber DeAngelis is having that problem. She got her first credit card when she was 17 but had to cut it up because she kept using it.

Now she is \$15,000 in debt and owns three different credit cards.

She said she fell into debt "just thinking, '20 bucks here, 20 bucks there isn't going to make a big difference.'"

It was just a matter of time, though, before it did make a difference.

When DeAngelis started to use credit cards to pay for tuition and costly car repairs, the debt began to rack up. To pay off the debt, DeAngelis' father pays a monthly fee to a credit counseling company that consolidated her debt. "I haven't learned to use cash, just plastic," she said.

-U-Wire

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Sexual Assault Victims Have Several Options

Continued from front

UVM Women's Center is able to better inform a victim of her choices with absolute confidentiality. "Confidentiality is the most important thing," said Victim Counselor Natali Smith at the Women's Rape Crisis Center. "Nothing that is said here ever leaves the room."

Victims of sexual assault also have the choice of consulting the Chittenden Unit Special Investigations. CUSI is a multidisciplinary entity that offers various options to victims, including counseling.

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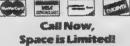


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Spookie Daly Pride: Please Pass the Cheese

By KATIE MONTICELLO

"Marshmallow Pie," Spookie Daly Pride's debut CD, is more of an initiation into the eccentric jam band scene than a memorable studio album.

The freedom to improvise and the spirited energy of live shows can be the antithesis of recorded sound. It seems that Spookie Daly Pride is aware of such a phenomenon

The disc does present strong foundations from which their live shows can grow.

Spookie Daly Pride will be playing an 18+ show at the Higher Ground on Wednesday, March 6.

"Karma Thunderbolt," the CD's opening track, bursts with an upbeat rhythm that is carried by the rugged, edgy vocals of Spookie Daly. The song's oddly placed keyboards are reminiscent of a prerecorded demonstration tune on an old Casio, but its catchy melody is infectious.

Other tracks like "Marshmallow Pie" and "Holy Rubbertramps" have an interesting similarity: they both contain made-up words in their lyrics.

The swingy "Marshmallow Pie" mentions a "dingledotty." The U2-esque tempo and vocals of "Holy Rubbertramps" mention (are you ready?) "rubbertramps."

Fortunately, that track's hummable qualities are followed by the sweetly cliched lyrics, "All that we want is what we are/Cause all that we need is in our soul."

Although the lyrics are not psychoanalysis-worthy, the entire CD evokes a positive, buoyant mood in the listener.

A little Louie Prima, Smash Mouth and Sublime can also be detected in the tracks "Pleasure Appointment" and "Happy Happy."

Their potentially one-dimensional sound is deterred by sharp horns and snazzy back-up vocals, which add a texture of rich audibility to a majority of the tracks.

On March 6, 2002, Spookie Daly Pride will be performing an 18+ show at the Higher Ground.

There, you may be privy to "dingledotties," "rubbertramps" and the song "Coffee and Pot."

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The Miracle Worker Kicks Off Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month, and the UVM Theatre will celebrate it by chronicling the life of a great American woman, guided by the creativity of guest director Dede Corvinus.

"Helen Keller was incredibly intelligent and curious," said Corvinus. "She is to me - and I believe to many Americans - the epitome of the human spirit."

UVM Theatre performances of *The Miracle Worker*, a play by William Gibson, will be enhanced by a number of special events, including a photo exhibition from the American Foundation for the Blind that portrays Helen Keller's life.

The Miracle Worker is the true story of friendship and courage as seen in the bond between Helen and her teacher, Annie Sullivan.

The play explores Helen's childhood as Annie struggles to reach the young girl who must face the world both deaf and sightless. Corvinus said, "It's all about the importance of the human spirit. If we ignore people because they seem unreachable... what is it we will have lost? We all would have been the poorer without having known Helen Keller."

Inspired by the determination seen in Helen and Annie, Corvinus feels it is important to offer a constant reminder of the challenges Helen faced. Actress Laura Spiegel portrays Helen and, as a young deaf woman herself, provides that daily reminder to the cast.

"Working with Laura has been a wonderful learning experience for everyone," said Corvinus. "We've had to rethink some methods of working that most actors and directors take for granted."

Furthermore, each character is played simultaneously by two actors - one speaking and one using American Sign Language. The double-casting affects all but Helen, whose silence needs no interpretation.

Accessibility is an important facet of the UVM Theatre's production of *The Miracle Worker*. Special efforts are under way to ensure that the play can be enjoyed by everyone.





Left Photo Andy Duback/VC Staff, Right Photo Courtesy of UVM Theatre Department A student puts final touches to the set of The Miracle Worker. Helen Keller reads Eleanor Roosevelt's lips.

A photo exhibit will be housed in the UVM
Theatre lobby, offering a glimpse into Helen Keller's extraordinary life.

On March 8 at 7:30 p.m., a specially-trained narrator will describe the onstage action to visually-impaired patrons through a small earpiece. This description system is being provided by Very Special Arts Vermont and the University's ACCESS Office.

Also, prior to the performance, these patrons will have the opportunity to experience scenery and costumes with a brief touchtour of the stage.

In addition to the performance, the UVM Theatre, the Women's Center, Academic Support Programs' ACCESS Office and the Office of Affirmative Action & Equal Opportunity are joining forces to see that *The Miracle Worker* and Women's History Month provide a truly enriching experience for the community. Special events are planned throughout the month of March.

Stephanie Morgan, program coordinator at the Women's Center, has been actively involved in the project: "It is important to educate mainstream society about the contributions of women throughout history, particularly women such as Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan who lived their lives with integrity and spirit."

Courtesy of the American Foundation for the Blind, a photo exhibit will be housed in the UVM Theatre lobby, offering a glimpse into Helen Keller's extraordinary life. "The Miracle Worker introduces us to Helen, the child. We felt it was important to offer a look at the work of Helen, the adult," said Jeremy Allen Thompson, marketing director for the UVM Theatre. "This exhibit shows just a small piece of what Helen Keller accomplished in her long life."

To complete the exhibition, Very Special Arts Vermont is providing a collection of art created by deaf and sightless Vermonters. The artwork is such that it can be experienced by people of all abilities

Two discussions featuring panelists from the Burlington community will round out the events. On Friday, March 8 at 6 p.m., a panel will examine the sociopolitical issues that women with disabilities face in the twenty-first century. Following the

Each character, except
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discussion, attendees are encouraged to stay for The Miracle Worker.

On Sunday, March 10 following the 2 p.m. matinee, members of the production company will lead a discussion about their experiences creating *The Miracle Worker*, guided by Corvinus' unique vision.

The Miracle Worker would not be possible without generous sponsorship from the Windjammer Restaurant, located on Williston Road adjoining the Best Western Windjammer Conference Center.

Performances will run Feb. 27, 28, March 1, 2, 7, 8 and 9 at 7:30 p.m. and March 10 at 2 p.m. at the UVM Theatre. Tickets range from \$9 to \$12.

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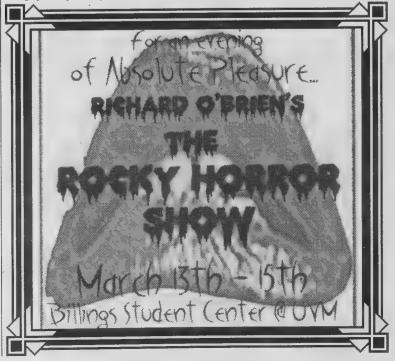
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Ask Dr. Love

Dear Dr. Love,

I am a basketball player, and since the recent success of our team, I have had an increase in girls who are interested in me, but were not really paying attention to me before. So, now I don't know what to do! I am interested in this one girl, but she does not show the same interest in me. I just wish she could be more like the other girls who are flocking to my door. I keep pushing them away, not giving them explanations why, and now people are beginning to question my sexuality. Am I wrong for waiting for this one girl, or should I just start hooking up with random girls to please my friends?

-Too Tall in Trouble

Dearest Too Tall in Trouble,

Obviously you are pretty hung up on this one girl. I know that fame and attention can really go to one's head, and it seems as though you are still following your heart. Way to go! Although you may not be showing your friends your full Basketball Stud Potential (BSP, for short), you're keeping your integrity intact, and by doing this, you are the man! As far as this one chica goes, if she is really that important to you, you need to let her know. How you go about that is really up to you. But, you should really make your move before you lose your chance. Good luck with the girls and the B-Ball....

Dear Dr. Love,

I'm really getting fed up with the guys at UVM. I'm not just talking about dating. I'm talking about everything: manners, friendship, attitudes, everything! I don't understand how they expect us to deal with their rude and disgusting behavior and then drop to our knees at parties! Am I the only one who has noticed this?

-Not Impressed

Dear Not Impressed,

No, you are not the only one who has noticed this. And there are a lot of things that contribute to this behavior. First of all, dating takes place in an awkward manner at college...between sharing a cramped living space with a roommate and juggling time between course work and a job or an internship, not much of an opportunity is left over for courting.

Also, students are confined to meeting people mostly in dorms or at parties. These settings are usually loud and hectic, and the haze of drugs and alcohol blurs manners and proper judgment.

The other problems are "College-Boy-Syndrome" and poor rearing on the part of their parents. These boys push their way onto campus buses, use and abuse girls at parties and stand ladies up on numerous occasions. And guys, these actions only make women lose respect for you.

They don't think you are any more of a man or any better-looking because you have managed to show them your brute-male-repertoire of burps, farts and obnoxious comments. Try a little respect for the ladies-it will get you a lot further. And *Not Impressed*, keep your chin up; despite the poor display on our campus, there are actually nice guys out there somewhere!

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Weekly Horoscopes

Aries March 21-April 19

Your boss has been a pest lately, but don't let that get you down. He or she will calm down soon and let you work without constantly looking over your shoulder, acknowledging you as the genius that you are!

Taurus April 20-May 20

Feeling homesick lately? It'll get worse before it gets better, sorry to say...midterms and lousy weather are going to make the desire to get away from UVM even stronger! Compensate by surprising a loved one with a greeting card or a phone call.

Gemini May 21-June 21

Be ready for an attractive Southern acquaintance to enter your life! Old-fashioned manners and lovin' are headed your way!

Cancer June 22-July 22

Slow down this week. Worrying about the future is only going to stress you out even more. Instead, make a point to take pride in those upcoming events that cause you grief.

Write that paper on a topic you feel strongly about, study hard and nail that exam or show some creativity at work to prove yourself a valuable worker.

Leo July 23-August 22

Your usual routine is starting to cause you trouble. Put an end to increasing boredom by making what changes you can in your schedule.

Take a different route to class, sample some different food or invite new friends to social events. Spice up your life!

Virgo Aug 23-Sept 22

The Vermont Cynic's clair-voyants definitely felt the bad karma for forgetting you last week! Please accept our most humble apologies...Watch your mouth this week.

People trust you to keep their secrets, but an urge to chatter might cause you to let something slip that you shouldn't. Don't betray your friends' confidence in you!

Libra Sep 23-Oct 22

If you survived the ice last week, know that you are not out of the woods yet...watch out for mud and big puddles in the street. A fast moving car will send a splash your way that will ruin an otherwise smokin' outfit!

Scorpio Oct 23-Nov 21

The person you have a crush on that you think is being so coy with you actually wants nothing to do with you. Leave him or her alone before he/she calls the police, you psycho stalker!

Sagittarius Nov 22-Dec 21

A colossal misunderstanding will cause you a huge amount of trouble this week. You might be mistaken for a felon, have a serious falling out with your roommate or friend or discover that a professor wrongly reported you for cheating! Ward off a lousy week by carrying proper identification at all times and speaking in plain language.

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 19

Starting a journal might be a good way to explore your lyrical talents and organize turbulent emotions. Keep it private, though, or else you might not be as candid with yourself as you need to be.

Aquarius Jan 20-Feb 18

It's definitely time to dump the deadbeat in your life. Personal relationships are supposed to enrich your life, not wear you out. Whether it's a partner that doesn't fulfill you anymore or a friend that is continually letting you down, it is time to let him/her go.

Pisces Feb 19-March 20

Your investment is about to pay off. Something you have spent a lot of time and energy on is going to produce a reward.

You make your own luck, and finally you are going to see positive results. Enjoy!

New Literary Magazine Looks for Submissions

Rachel Brown, a student in the John Dewey Honors Program, has launched a student literary magazine. The magazine, called *The Vantage Point*, was born last semester. It has no particular bias or theme, but hopes only to showcase the talents of the UVM community.

"I just want people to have a chance to get their art and writing seen and appreciated," says Brown. Any UVM students or faculty members can submit their poems, stories, photos and drawings.

So far, Brown and her staff have collected about 40 written entries and five art pieces. They hope to publish an issue in April, and have set a rolling deadline, accepting submissions for consideration as late as possible.

The Vantage Point is still trying to get recognition from the SGA, which would offer the lit mag more funding and publicity options.

However, Bob Taylor, director of the John Dewey Honors Program and advisor to the magazine, expresses hope for its future. "If you start with a modest publication, you hope that it will catch on and more people will participate in the future," he said. Members of *The Vantage Point* meet Monday evenings at 7 p.m. in 331 Millis.

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The UNC Demise



Ben Dickie
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It is getting to be that time of the year where your tournament bracket is almost as important as that midterm paper you have do.

When filling it out this season,

though, you might notice that something will be missing, something in the shade of Carolina blue.

Unless a miracle takes place and they some how manage to win the ACC tournament, the University of North Carolina will be sitting home this year, watching.

The University of North Carolina will be sitting home this year, watching.

The Tar Heels have already eclipsed the most losses ever in a season at Chapel Hill, with 17 and still three regular season games to go, not to mention one of those being some team named Duke.

To give you some kind of idea of how Carolina has fallen from the power that they are, let's look at two games. UNC and UVM have had two opponents in common this season: Ohio and Binghamton. Binghamton, which was Division II until this season (14-14 last year), went down and almost pulled off an upset early in the year, only losing by one 61-60.

Let's fast-forward now to just last week, when another UVM opponent, Ohio, sent a message with an 86-78 victory. You wonder how Vermont did against these two? The Cats beat Binghamton twice (83-80 at Binghamton and 86-71 at home), and beat Ohio 91-79 at the Florida International tournament.

So is this the end of North Carolina's reign? No, it is almost certain the Tar Heels will be back. They have had some issues that could be the reason for the 'Carolina blues' that their fans are feeling, including three different coaches in the past five seasons and many players leaving early. Playing in the ACC doesn't help, either, when it is your time to have an off-year.





Cats Win First-Ever Conference Title

Trevor Gaines and Taylor Coppenrath scored 16 points as Vermont topped Hartford, 75-66, in America East men's basketball at the Patrick Gym on Sunday afternoon.

The win gave the Catamounts a share of their first America East regular season championship, the first-ever conference title in the program's 102-year-old history.

UVM also earned the top seed in the upcoming America East Championships and will take on Stony Brook in the semifinals next Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Matthews Arena in Boston.

The victory, in front of another sellout crowd of 3,228, also gave Vermont its first 20-win season, topping the previous record, which had stood for 55 seasons. Picked to finish fourth in the preseason coaches poll, the Catamounts led the regular season race from wire-to-wire.

"I am thrilled beyond compare," commented an elated UVM head coach Tom Brennan on his first championship in over 30 years in college basketball. "To be part of history is special. I am really proud to be the coach-these guys are very, very special and today it was a total team effort."

Vermont got off to a slow start and after a lay-up by Wayne McClinton, Hartford led 13-6 eight minutes into the game. A





Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Taylor Coppenrath, left, shoots from the line, while T.J. Sorrentine, right, defends against Hartford in their last regular season game.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

low post bucket by Coppenrath gave UVM their first lead, 16-14, with seven minutes to go in the first half. Catamounts took a 31-25 advantage at the break.

'I am really proud to be the coach-these guys are very, very special.'

> -Tom Brennan Head Coach

Gaines (7-for-11 FG's) and Coppenrath led five Catamounts in double-digits. Sorrentine added 14 while Grant Anderson (4-for-6 FG's) chipped in with 11 and David Hehn tallied 10. Gaines also recorded a careerbest five assists while Coppenrath, Anderson and Hehn each had a team-high six rebounds.

Vermont finished the game with another strong performance at the line shooting 89 percent, 23-for-26. In their last two games, both wins to earn a share of the title, the Catamounts made 47-of-53 from the stripe.

Vermont has now won ten straight at the Patrick Gym and finished the season a perfect 8-0 against America East foes. The game was also the last regular season appearance for UVM's two seniors, Gaines and Corry McLaughlin, the latter of whom earned his first start of the season.

-Sports Info

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK

Sara Lovell of Westminster, Vermont continued her outstanding season with a third-place finish in the shot put at the New England Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday at Tufts University.

Lovell's performance highlighted the weekend for the Catamounts, who finished in a tie for 12th place out of 32 teams in the event.

Lovell threw the shot 43 feet, 10 inches to finish third after placing second in both the shot put and 20-pound weight at the America East Championships last weekend. She also finished sixth in the weight with a throw of 51-11-3/4. Sophomore Kristal Kostiew (Northwood, NH) finished fourther in the weight (55-3).

Elaina Courtrayer (Essex Junction, VT) had a strong meet, finishing fourth in the triple jump with a jump of 37 feet, 1/2 inch.

For the men, Jeff Guilmette (East Montpelier, VT) finished second in the shot-put by a half-inch. The seven-time America East shot put champion threw 53-11-1/4 and was edged out on the final throw.

-Sports Info





Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Junior John Longo chases the puck against Princeton. The Catamounts lost
their last home game Saturday night, 4-2.

Tigers Claw Catamounts 4-2, UVM Loses 10 Straight

Princeton kept its ECAC playoff hopes alive Saturday with a 4-2 win over Vermont in Division I men's ice hockey action at UVM's Gutterson Fieldhouse.

Vermont, 3-23-2 overall and 3-15-1 in ECAC play, took a 1-0 read at 5:45 of the first period when freshman Brady Leisenring scored his second goal in as many nights on a rebound. Bryson Busniuk and John Longo assisted on the goal, Leisenring's fifth of the season.

Princeton, 8-16-2 overall and 7-10-2 in the ECAC, tied it at 1-1 at 14:11 of the first when David Schneider tipped a Scott Prine shot from a tough angle along the boards to the right of Vermont goalie Tim Peters.

The Tigers took a 2-1 lead at 19:01 of the first on George Parros' eighth goal of the season. David Del Monte and Neil Stevenson-Moore assisted on the goal.

Princeton maintained the one-

MEN'S HOCKEY

goal lead until late in the second period when when Josh Roberts scored shorthanded at 17:51 to give the Tigers a 3-1 advantage. Schneider and Prime assisted on the goal.

Stevenson-Moore scored at 5:56 of the third period to give Princeton a 4-1 lead.

Stevenson-Moore finished off a tic-tac-toe passing play with the goal. Parros and Del Monte assisted.

Vermont closed the gap to 4-2 with a 5-on-3 goal at 12:32 of the third period by freshman defenseman Gerard Miller.

Patrick Sharp and Jeff Miles assisted on the goal, Miller's fourth of the year. Peters finished with 18 saves while Shawn Conschafter had 10 saves in the third period.

Dave Stathos stopped 19 shots for Princeton.

-Sports Info

Ski Team Wins 27th Consecutive EISA Title

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKI TEAM

The UVM ski team used three individual first-place finishes Saturday and strong team depth as it powered to its 27th straight Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association (EISA) title at Middlebury.

The Catamounts finished with 882 points, topping the host Panthers by 22 points. Dartmouth was third with 834.

Vermont, as is usually the case, will head into the NCAA Championships on March 6-9 in Anchorage, Alaska as the top team in the East and as a certifiable contender for another NCAA title.

Torgeir Lien (Oslo, Norway) won both races to continue his phenomenal EISA carnival season, while freshman Ethan Foster (Weston, VT) was second in the freestyle and fourth in the classical.

Audun Foss Knudsen (Geilo, Norway) finished second in the classical and fifth in the freestyle for the men's team.

For the women, senior captain Claudia Reithofer (Zoebern, Austria) nipped Middlebury's Hillary Patzer by one second to win the 15-K freestyle race, and she also finished third in the 5-K classical event

In the alpine races, Alex Krebs (Waitsfield, VT) finished second in the GS, while Erin Mascolino (Jeffersonville, VT) was second in the slalom and Gillian McFetridge (Ottawa, ONT) was fourth.

On the men's side, defending NCAA GS champion John Minahan (Sodus Point, NY) won the GS and was fourth in the slalom.

-Sports Info

Cats Earn Playoff Spot and Cieplicki's 100th Win

By LISA OBRENTZ

With a 75-57 win over America East newcomer Binghamton University, UVM secured two things last week.

The victory marked the 100 career-win milestone for Coach Keith Cieplicki, in his fifth season at Vermont.

It also gave the Cats a share of their fifth America East regular season title, and third in the last five years.

Following the win, Cieplicki was drenched with a bucket of cold water by his team.

"You know they do that to those football guys, and I've always wanted it done to me so they gave me a good spray tonight," he said.

In just five years, Cieplicki has won 100 games at UVM, second only to 1986-1993 Coach Cathy Inglese, who had 120 victories.

'To know where we've come from, that's what makes this time sweet.'

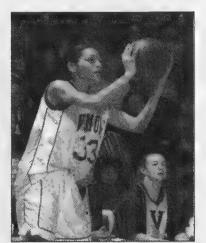
-Keith Cieplicki Head Coach

"To win 20 games a year, that's a nice accomplishment, but it's more for the University and for our community than for me; I'm just thankful to have the opportunity to coach it," said Cieplicki.

After missing UVM's last game against Maine, junior Morgan Hall had 21 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

"The coaches have helped us come together, and we've worked hard," Hall said.

Junior co-captain Dawn Cressman reinforced the solidity of the team. "We're playing such



University Communications Junior Morgan Hall led the Catamounts with 21 points and nine rebounds.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

a great team game. You don't get assists unless people are finishing. We've got great momentum right now. We know our roles," she said.

"This team is just very unselfish, and you see it in the way they play," commented Cieplicki.

After losing four of the five games they played in Dec., the recent wins have shown the hard work of players and coaches.

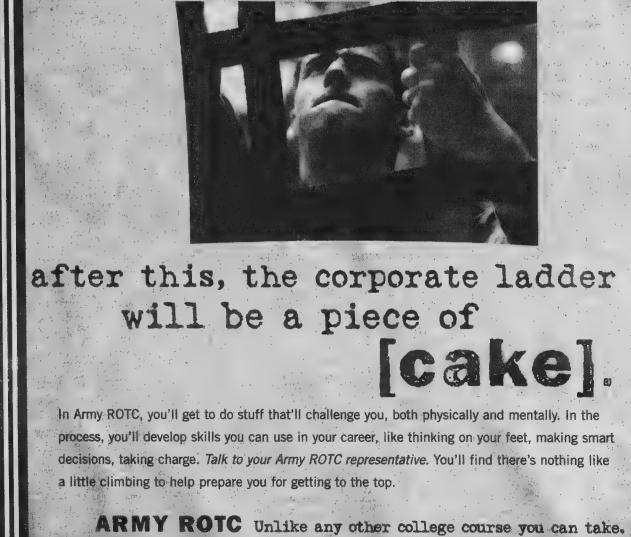
"The players have continued to improve," said Cieplicki.

"They've worked very hard mentally. You can see that in their play.

"To know where we've come from, that's what makes this time sweet, to know the work and the sweat and the suffering, that's what makes it worthwhile."

The Cats will play their final home game at Patrick Gym on Thursday, Feb. 28 at 7:00 p.m., when they take on the Albany Great Danes.





February March

Calendar of Events, February 26 - March 4

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7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Film: "The Sandman": A New Silent Film by David Teague (New York). Director David Teague will show his hour-long film, based on E.T.A. Hoffmann's story, and will be present and available to answer questions after the screening. 413 Waterman, UVM. Information: Dennis Mahoney, 656-1476. ADA accommodations: Sue Pochop, 656-3166.

7:30 p.m. Film: "The Witness" followed by discussion by Wayne Pacelle, for The Humane Society of the United States in honor of Spay Day USA. Lafayette Building room L302; admission is free. For more information call 878-2230 or e-mail Cynthia Little at clittle@zoo.uvm.edu.

8:00 p.m. Talk: Neil Lazarus speaks on Palestinian Terrorism and the collapse of the Middle-East Peace Process. Waterman Memorial Lounge.

27 Wednesday

Noon to 1 p.m. Talk: "A Story of Quilts and the Underground Railroad,"Leslie Hills, Allied Health. Part of Black History Month. Quilting was but one method of communication as slaves travelled the underground railroad to freedom. Information: Center for Cultural Pluralism, 656-8833, mailto: wcruz@zoo.uvm.edu.

12:15 p.m. Talk: See Feelingly: Artists Depicting the Holocaust. Judith Stone, mixed-media artist and lecturer in 20th-century art, Art Department, UVM.

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lecture: "Understanding Ottoman Justice: Models and Taxonomies," Bogac Ergene, History. Part of Area and International Studies Program "Brown Bag" Lecture Series. John Dewey Lounge, Old

Mill. For ADA accommodation: Sue Pochop, 656-3166. Information: 656-1096.

6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Exhibition: "Helen Keller: A Life in Action." Courtesy of the American Foundation for the Blind, Helen Keller Archives. The grand opening of a month-long photographic history of Helen Keller's extraordinary life along with artwork by blind and deaf Vermonters from Very Special Arts Vermont. The Royall Tyler Theatre, 116 University Place. Information: 656-2094 or http://www.uvm.edu/~theatre 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Play: "The Miracle Worker," William Gibson. Presented by the UVM Theatre. A true-to-life story of friendship and courage as seen in the lives of Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan Macy. Tickets \$9 to

\$12.50. Royall Tyler Theatre, 116 University Place. Information: 656-2094 or http://www.uvm.edu/~theatre.

28 Thursday

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Seminar: "Global Warming: Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change 2001 Update." Rich Wolfson, Professor, Department of Physics and the Environmental Studies Program, Middlebury College. Room 104 Aiken Center. Information: 656-3269.

2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Event: Project STAY/TRiO and Upward Bound/TRiO invite students, staff, faculty and the community to celebrate the accomplishments of students who participate in the program and the dedication and commitment put forth by all who volunteer and support TRio. Rep. Bernie Sanders is the guest speaker and refreshments will be served. Memorial Lounge, Waterman Building. Information: 656-7753. 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Event: "Third Annual TRIO Day Celebration." Speakers: Provost A. John Bramley and Congressman Bernie Sanders. Rebecca Flewelling, Wanda Heading-Grant, and others will also speak. Music by the Top Cats. Refreshments. Memorial Lounge, Waterman Building. Information: Ricardo Johnson, 656-2929, mailto:rgjohnso@zoo.uvm.edu.

7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Women's Basketball: Vs. Albany. America East Conference Game. Patrick Gymnasium.

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7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Film: "Amores Perros." Director: Alejandro Gonzales-Inarritu, Mexico, 2000, 135 min.. In Spanish w/English subtitles. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 802-656-3196, mailto:romlang@zoo.uvm.edu, or visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Coffeehouse: Rhythm & Brews Coffeehouse, Open Mic. Fireplace Lounge, Living/Learning Center Commons Building. Information: 656-4200, mail-to:segreenl@zoo.uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/~llcenter.



University Communications/Bill DiLillo Freshman Laura Siegel (left) stars as Helen Keller in The Mirale Worker, and junior Cristi Andrews plays Annie Sullivan.

1 Friday

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Service: Taize Prayer Service, an ecumenical prayer service with music from the Taize community in France. Catholic Center, Redstone Campus. Information: 862-8403 or mailto:catholic@zoo.uvm.edu or visit http://homepages.together.net/~cathuvm/taize2.html.

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7:30 p.m. Performance: Eighth Blackbird, sextet. UVM Recital Hall. \$18/\$13.

2 Saturday

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7:30 p.m. Coffeehouse: Ripton Community Coffee House. Cello Re-Bob. Gideon Freudmann performs for the nonprofit concert series. Open mike begins at 7:30 followed by the featured performers. Call ahead to reserve a spot for open mike. Refreshments to benefit the North Branch School. Admission: \$4 For more information: 388-9782.

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3:00 p.m. Recital: Senior Recital, Roxanne Vought, soprano. Southwick Music Complex Recital Hall. Concert is free and open to the public.

6:30-9 p.m. Flynn Center HereAfter workshop/audition. Anyone over age 10 is welcome to participate in the workshop, whether to audition, simply watch, or take an active part. No experience necessary.

7:00 p.m. Taylor Series: Green Mountain Club. Rowing to Latitude. Campus Center Theatre, UVM. \$5/\$8 nonmembers. Information: Keri, 244-7037 ext. 10.

4 Monday

3:30 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. Lecture: "Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative: Past and Prospects," John Barros and Trish Settles, Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative. Part of the ENVS Seminar Series on Environmental Justice and Natural Assets. Kalkin 001. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176, mail to:egetchel@zoo.uvm.edu.

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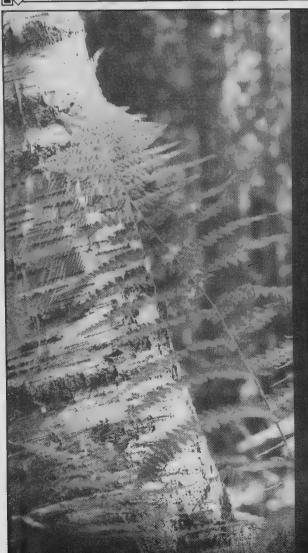
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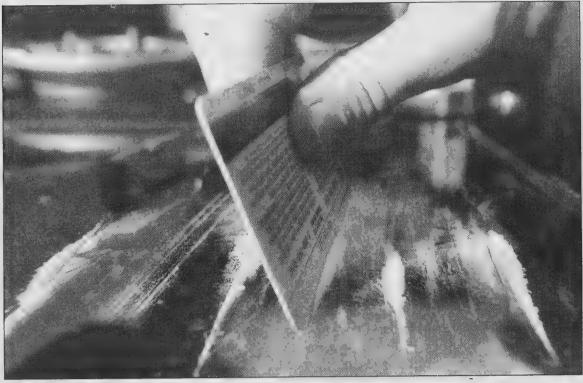
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Cocaine Abuse Threatens UVM



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A UVM junior uses a phone card to cut a gram of cocaine into five lines.

Users Say Drug Is Widespread Among Students

By LEE HIGGINS

It's Thursday evening and UVM juniors Paul*, Mike* and Jane sit in Paul's off-campus house drinking beer while Paul and Mike wait anxiously for a gram of cocaine. They said it's easy for them to score a bag of powdered cocaine in Burlington, that it's just a matter of who can get it to them first.

"Dealers are so unreliable," said Mike. "They're always doing lines or blown out. When it gets here, I'm gonna rail the hugest line ever."

It's slightly before 10 p.m. and Julie*, also a junior at UVM, arrives with the cocaine. She takes a gram out of her jacket pocket and shows it to Mike. Mike looks intently at the bag of white powder and gives her \$60.

Paul, Mike and Julie rush up the stairwell to Paul's room. Jane*; another junior, who has never snorted cocaine, soon follows.

Cocaine is the second most significant drug threat to Vermont, according to the National Drug Intelligence Center's Vermont Drug Threat Assessment published January, 2002.

It is distributed primarily by local independent Caucasian dealers who purchase it from Dominican criminal groups in Holyoke, Lawrence, Lowell and Massachusetts; Springfield, Hartford, Connecticut; and New York, New York.

The drug is transported in private automobiles and works its way into the more populated areas of Vermont including Brattleboro, Burlington and Rutland.

It filters down into the hands of UVM students who purchase it

Top Drug Threats to the State of Vermont

- 1. Heroin
- 2. Cocaine
- 3. Marijuana
- 4. Oxycontins
- 5. LSD

Source: N.D.I.C.

for \$60 to \$70 a gram. The markup on the prices is significant and the cocaine is cut and mixed with baby laxatives, creatine, aspirin and anything else that's white.

Treatment data and law enforcement sources indicate that the overall level of cocaine abuse in Vermont is relatively stable.

"I see no signs of it decreasing," said Glenn Hall, supervisor of the Vermont Drug Task Force. "There's been a lot of publicity around heroin, but cocaine hasn't let up at all, and is still prevalent."

The Vermont Drug Task Force works in conjunction with other state law enforcement agencies as well as local law enforcement agencies including UVM Police Services to crack down on cocaine in Vermont. "When you consider Vermont, Burlington is certainly a hot spot for us," said

UVM presents particular difficulty to Hall and his team. "We've always had the problem where UVM is close-knit," he

"It's difficult for us to infiltrate that." Hall relies heavily on tips to carry out his operations.

UVM Police Chief Gary Margolis said he is fully aware of the cocaine use at UVM. "I think it's a problem, but I wouldn't say it's more of a problem than other

drugs," said Margolis.

Users tell another story. Mike, who uses cocaine several times a month, said it is prevalent at UVM. "It's something everyone does and no one talks about," he said.

UVM junior T.J.* uses cocaine about twice a month and said it's readily available to students. "I see it everywhere," he said. "Everyone knows someone who's a cokehead around here. I got offered coke on campus 20 feet outside the bookstore." T.J. estimates that 10 to 15 pounds of cocaine move through Burlington every weekend.

It's 10:10 p.m. and Paul and Mike sit on the couch with Julie. They listen to "Terrapin Station" by the Grateful Dead and tell stories about cocaine use in the bathrooms of the bars downtown and how they know people who go to class high. Jane looks on from across the glass-paneled table. Julie crushes the cocaine with a lighter and then a phone card. She rips a hole in the plastic bag and pours half a gram of coke on the table, cutting it into three

She snorts a line through a piece of a yellow straw and Paul and Mike finish off the gram.

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Students Suspect UVM Police Services Fabricated 911 Call

Officer Insists They Followed Standard **Procedures**

By DAMON LUCIANO

In the early morning hours on Feb. 15, the UVM police keyed into the dormitory room of freshmen Brian Ross and Kevin Stolp, claiming to be investigating a 911 hang-up, which both residents deny making.

Ross and Stolp were given a breathalyzer test. Ross blew a .1 and Stolp a .08.

The police then issued them citations for possessing and consuming alcohol as minors over the age of 16, and they now face fines of up to \$300 if convicted.

Both roommates claim that they answered a phone call from the police at about 1:20 a.m.

UVM Police Services said a 911 hang up call had been made from their dorm and that they wanted to verify that there was no emergency.

The phone conversation was short. Ross said that he told the police his name, that nobody except himself and his roommate were in the room, and that everything was ok--that there was no



Andy Duback/VC Staff Officer Scott Frenier investigates an incident in UVM's Living/Learning Center early this year.

emergency.

At that point, Ross said, the dispatch officer told him to open their door, explaining that the police were waiting outside.

"As soon as we got the call they started banging on the door, you know, like real loud," Stolp said, while pounding his desk to give an indication of the noise

Ross hung up the phone, cutting off UVM dispatch. The two roommates waited silently in the

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Elizabeth Greco/VC Staff

Hunt Hall on Trinity Campus where many students were forced to live after being notified in July that no other housing was available for them.

Students in Trinity Housing Pay School More for Less

By DAMON LUCIANO

Undergraduates living in Hunt Hall on the old Trinity College campus are paying substantially more than other students for dorm rooms of comparable size this year.

They are also receiving fewer important services from UVM. Hunt residents lack a nearby cafeteria, have had irregular bus service that now comes three times a day and lack access to Ethernet connections and television cables in their dorms.

This is the first year that See Trinity Housing, Page 5

UVM has leased the housing units from now-closed Trinity College.

The University just recently renewed the lease to extend it until May, 2003, according to Interim Director of Residential Life, David Clokey.

Hunt resident and sophomore Mike Calamari is dissatisfied with the housing situation at Trinity. "We're, like, pretty much the lab rats," he said.

An extra-large single at Trinity costs about \$1,086 more than a large single on Main or East

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Vote Badaracco for SGA President

Current SGA Treasurer Jon Badaracco and his running-mate, current SGA Student Activities Chairperson Shawna Wells, are the best choice for SGA President and Vice President.

Badaracco's experience spans from starting a new honor society, to his dedication to the SGA, to his activity within the Greek system.

He has been part of many different facets of UVM in his first three years here.

Badaracco has started the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and is a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

He has been involved and taken leadership positions within the SGA for almost his entire UVM career, including his current position as Treasurer, and a position with the finance committee.

Experience aside, Badaracco has a realistic expectation of what he as President

can do, and what he can help the SGA and school achieve during his presidency.

His ideas of maintaining a dialogue with the new President, along with students from all parts of the campus, will help and his officers achieve their goals.

Badaracco's running-mate Shawna Wells has also proved herself within the SGA.

Her position as Chairperson of the SGA Student Activities Committee has allowed her to facilitate the recognition of clubs from all all parts of the UVM cultural spectrum.

This spectrum varies from mainstream and alternative political groups to academic and sports activity clubs.

There is no other group running for executive positions in the SGA that can hold a candle to the integrity and experience that Badaracco and Wells bring to the

Improvement Is Needed From All Ends

Students have often claimed that the police are simply 'policing for the hell of it.' In fact, if the police are in the dorm buildings it's entirely possible that they were called. It's even possible that the R.A. called them.

Increased trust among dorm residents and R.A.s would improve life in the dorms for a couple of reasons. It likely would improve student-police relations. This is because it was your R.A. who called the cops last weekend when you were drinking in your dorm. They didn't just show up.

R.A.s face a difficult situation, having to police their neighbors, peers and friends. R.A.s may call the police for several reasons. They may fear retaliation from neighbors or possibly they are unwilling to deal with each little problem. Calling the police sometimes is understandable, given the amount of time and energy that dealing with every minor situation requires. Yet R.A.s may also get the impression that some students are not going to change their behavior, despite the R.A.s' warnings and cajoling.

R.A.s may choose to fall back on the police just sometimes, or fairly often, and there's not much students can do about it. except follow the rules. Calling the police too often will lead students to falsely assume that the police are simply showing up, reinforcing the belief that police are simply out to get students.

The Vermont Cynic welcomes letters and opinion pieces and reserves the right to edit all pieces for length. Please limit letters to 200 words.

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or e-mail them to vcoped@zoo.uvm.edu Copyright 2002 The Vermont Cynic R.A.s should deal with situations themselves, whenever possible. This means having an imposing presence and assertive personality. More important, though, is that R.A.s are respected by the students in their halls. This means that students will likely listen to their R.A.s and R.A.s would be less apt to call UVM Police Services.

Firmness combined with good judgement in applying the rules will earn an R.A. respect. Inconsistency in applying the rules will only cause students to lose respect for R.A.s. Consistency poses a particular problem.

If an R.A. writes up a student for possessing 'alcohol paraphernalia' because he is using an empty Magic Hat nine-pack to hold toiletries, consistency would indicate that R.A. should apply the same rule to other students in all similar situations. This would be too severe, though. Coming off as a disciplinarian will also cost some respect.

It is because the RA's job is so difficult that students should make sure that their behavior falls within reasonable and allowable limits. When students choose to live outside the rules, when they don't heed warnings, RA's may resort to calling the police in order to deal with repeat offenders, increasing the police presence in the dorms, and making student life, overall, more miserable.

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"Let it Snow" Misses the Point

To the Editor:

In response to the Feb. 26 article: "Let It Snow, Let It Snow, Let It Snow...Here," I'm sure most of my fellow in-state students, and most out-of-state students, have heard the old adage: "If you don't like the weather in New England, wait five minutes."

Growing up in Vermont, the only thing you can rely on in regards to the weather is that it is totally unreliable. I'm not particularly surprised by the unusual weather this winter, and not because I'm a believer in Global Warming.

I'm aware of the holes in the ozone layer, and don't doubt that it could cause problems, but cooking up the earth "till she's warm and toasty?" My turn to say

NEIN. The glaciers are still receding from the natural Ice Age. Of course the earth is going to get warmer.

I was more disturbed by the attitude in the article. It is a sad world indeed when skiing and partying play such a large factor in the decision of incoming students.

I thought this was a college. Unfortunately, I seem to be incorrect in the assumption that people attend college because they want to study.

Perhaps we should spend more time actually attending classes and learning about metaphors that make sense (I fail to see the effective connection between prepubescent boys and Vermont) rather than hitting the slopes. After all, that's what we're here for . . right?

Carrie Cole
Continuing Education

Progressives Do Control Council

To the Editor:

In the interest of clarification, I am responding in regards to Julie Britt's letter in last week's Cynic attacking my earlier statements. True, fuzzy math is spreading, but a closer examination of Burlington City Council is necessary.

Sharon Bushor has run as an Independent, which makes the balance within City Council to be six Progressives on paper. In reality, Ms. Bushor's campaigns have been supported, endorsed and in part organized by the Progressive Party.

She endorses Progressive candidates like Erika Nestor and even caucuses with

them. If it walks like a Progressive, talks like a Progressive, then it is a Progressive, with or without the official party affiliation.

Perhaps I am mistaken in not calling it a Progressive Coalition, but in either case, the functionality remains the same. This gives the Progressives seven out of the fourteen votes on City Council, with the tie-breaking vote in the hands of Progressive Mayor Peter Clavelle.

That is eight to seven, assuming the other parties are united in opposition. The power is of 51 percent, or in this case, 53 percent.

Matt Montross Class of 2002

Kantor's Suggestion Off the Mark

To the Editor:

I am writing in regards to statements made recently by Jon Kantor. So, if I, being a Socialist, just donate my out-of-state tuition to the needy, our global system of organized exploitation will be improved?

The problem is not that people have money; the problem is simply that the majority of people in this world don't have enough money. According to the U.S. space command, the disparity between the "haves and the have-nots" in the world will only increase this century; thus, it is their duty to neutralize any opposition that will inevitably arise from such a disparity.

Reform Enron? Half of our Senate had its hands in the pockets of Enron, receiv-

ing exorbitant amounts of soft money as campaign contributions. These are the people the American public elects into office to make the reforms!

Reform Argentina? After years of recession due to austerity measures imposed by the IMF (increasing privatization and slashes in government spending), the economy of Argentina finally cracked, leading to mass protests of the Argentine working class.

Reform Bush's creation of the Axis of Evil?! This is too silly for me to even comment.

One last thing-calling a Socialist a "f**ing commie" is not like calling a spade a spade; it is like calling someone who is Japanese, a Jap.

Nate Moore Class of 2002

If It Walks Like a Bigot...

To the Editor:

How can one, in the same breath, justify the use of the word 'commie' and then claim that he is not a McCarythyite? 'Commie' is a derogatory word for Socialists. Period. And it is ridiculous to think that you can divorce such an insult from its political repercussions. There is no easier way to politically silence minority voices than by encouraging those who would vociferously degrade and debase that minority.

Kantor's article states, "If you walk around spouting the dead ideologies of Marx and Trotsky with a shirt with Che Guevera on it... and someone calls you a commie, well, stand up and take it ... that person is simply making an observation (!)."

Kantor might as well have written, "If you are a man who walks around holding another man's hand while demanding gay rights, and someone calls you the f-word, then stand up and take it, because that person is simply making an observation." Or, "If you wear a shirt with a picture of Malcolm X, and publically talk about black pride, and someone calls you the n-word, you deserve it."

This is obviously trash. Kantor wants to whip up hatred on this campus and 'usher in a new era' (to borrow Sugarman's phrase), where people are judged not on the content of their arguments but on empty slander and scapegoating.

Keith Rosenthal Class of 2003

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Hogan Shows Insight and Dedication



Cynic Columnist

sored. ENVS-195, a class about politics and the Peter Morrison environment which featured

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evening, I had

the privilege to

attend the dis-

cussion spon-

gubernatorial candidate Con Hogan.

While I consider myself a Republican, and rather conservative on most issues, I was pleasantly impressed by the ideas and performance of the politically Independent Hogan.

The discussion focused on environmental issues, but Hogan emphasized the interconnectedness of issues and the importance of issues such as strong economic growth toward our protection of our environment.

Hogan was open to the ideas and questions that the students presented, and differen from most candidates, did not try to assert that he knew everything.

Hogan was open to the ideas and questions that the students presented.

He was rather candid in admitting where he was out of his area of depth.

What was very impressive from the discussion was his broad vision for Vermont, and while it may seem simple, it seems that many of the state's leaders have failed to grasp this idea.

He emphasized the fact that Vermont is "special," and that this will be one of our key assets in the 21st century.

I would find it hard to try to categorize Hogan's ideology, except to say that he has a very strong commitment to this state and that his primary concern is doing what is in the best interest of Vermont, socially, economically and environmentally.

He displayed a depth of thought that I have not encountered in other politicians.

While talking about the environment, he stressed the need to find new ways of bringing people

together around key issues and the need to deal with the friction and stress between rural and urban populations.

He also addressed the issues of the scale of bureaucratic structure and protecting communities and preventing sprawl.

Additionally, he noted the importance of technology in the future of the state so that we protect our environment while attempting to advance and compete with the rest of the world.

Hogan brings a wide body of experience from both the private and the public sectors.

While he is a "flatlander" from New Jersey, he has operated a horse farm in Vermont for 26 years.

He displays a passion for this state which is very impressive.

I do not know what kind of chance Con Hogan has for winning the office of governor, but as he said, the majority of Vermonters are political Independents, and I think that we should give him a chance.

The man has some good ideas.

UVM Big Buddies Thank Hit Paws

To the Editor:

On Friday, Feb. 22, a group of UVM students traveled for the weekend to New York City for the National Students Anti-War Network Conference. Over 200 people from campuses across the country attended the conference, which included discussions, videos, panels and workshops. The students agreed upon four points of unity. These points were:

UVM Students Organize

Anti-War Conference

1. We oppose the war.

To the Editor:

- 2. We call for an end to racism, especially racial profiling and ethnic scapegoating.
- 3. We call for the protection of civil liberties and the repeal of legislation which threatens them.
- 4. We call for the funding of education and jobs, not of war.

In addition to coming together with other students who support the anti-war movement and learning about this movement, those who attended voted to organize a National Student Anti-War Network.

A day caucus will be held on Saturday, March 9, from 1-4 p.m. in the Billings Student Center to discuss the formation of the UVM coalition of this network, as well as to elect delegates to attend the Northeast regional elections of the network.

The organizers of the caucus hope to bring together as many organizations and individuals who support the points of unity as possible. The caucus is open to anyone who supports or wants to learn about the anti-war movement.

> Natalie Powers Class of 2005

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Last week, the Big Buddies program of the University of Vermont hosted a volunteer celebration to honor UVM students who serve as mentors to area kids. At the event, the Hit Paws, the new a cappella group on campus, came and performed some of their songs for everyone's enjoyment.

We wanted to thank the Hit Paws for donating this incredible performance for our Big and Little Buddies. It is really gratifying to have another student group contribute to our student organization; this kind of collaboration is exactly what UVM needs, and it's nice to see students working together. It is with much appreciation that we publically thank the Hit Paws.

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Don't Just Vote: Democracy Demands **Active Participation**



Brandon Johnson Cynic Columnist

Progressive. I hope everyone voted. I know some at UVM probably saw Tuesday as the perfect excuse

enjoy a longer weekend. I did too, but I still hope

everyone voted. It is important. A simple paper ballot given out once or twice a year, howev-

er, is not the difference between democracy and some other form of government.

Think of it this way: connecting an arrow, filling in a bubble or (goodness, no) punching a chad, takes, what, five minutes at

And say you do this twice a year from the age of 18 to 78; add it up, you have spent a whopping one hour of your life being democratic.

All the rest of the time you will have to follow the rules of your boss and the bank.

Think of it-was there a vote to see who the next UVM president would be?

Was there a vote to see if the shuttle service should be outsourced?

Are they going to ask us if we agree Enron's millions should have bought more influence than the millions of voters in energy policy?

Was there a vote when the IBM office nearby decided to cut its wages? Was there a vote when school sports were cut? Was there a vote to see what powers UVM Police Services should have?

I don't agree with other Cynic columnists. I don't think Burlington has gone down the drain. I love this place; maybe they should move to Texas.

The Progressives have done a good job. But especially when we look nationally, just voting appears to be even less adequate.

First, our president did not receive that majority of the popbut. Congressional Democrats still think that debating the issues at hand is unconscionably unpatri-

Doesn't sound too democratic to me. Are we ever going to see a ballot asking us: Should Enron officials face jail time?

Should real workers' wages not have risen since the seventies?

Should thirty-five million Americans still go without health insurance (this question takes on special significance to a large number of graduating sen-

Are they ever going to ask us if we should spend less on an endless war and more on social spending? Never.

Are they going to ask us if we think that six million children should starve to death every year? Never.

Are they going to ask us if we agree that Enron's millions should have bought more influence than the millions of voters in energy policy? Never.

Representation in our government is a matter of cost.

We have to vote but we also have to do more.

We have to start building an alternative to a Washington consensus that has the priorities completely backwards from California to Argentina.

And for those who took Tuesday as a long weekend, remember, the weekend we enjoy came from workers uniting to fight for livable condi-

They did more than just vote. To gain real democracy, we should follow their lead.

Professors, Socialists Block Access to SGA-Sponsored Club



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

In a class directed effort to gain new perspectives, campus. politics, yours truly attempted to attend a meeting of the UVM SGA

sponsored International

Socialist Organization. This meeting was in the Lafayette building on Main Campus. With me was a classmate who was also there to try to

gain a new perspective. I wasn't there to fight or to argue, but rather to peacefully listen and try to understand.

That's what diversity is all about, right?

After being told by ISO members and by UVM English Professor Nancy Welch to leave, I informed them that as an SGA sponsored club, they had to abide by SGA rules.

SGA rules dictate that any student can attend any club meeting. They cannot block anyone.

I was then accosted by Keith Rosenthal, who told yours truly (who was sitting calmly in a chair) to get the f**k out.

Let me make clear that I didn't go to this meeting to start a fight or to disrupt.

I exercised my right as a UVM student, who funds this organization, to observe and try to understand their perspectives.

Unfortunately, I endured a hostile, cursing Keith Rosenthal

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approximately two inches from my face, telling me to get out.

I patiently and calmly explained again that I was not there to disrupt and was simply trying to understand where they were coming from.

They threatened to call the police to arrest me, for ummm.... something.

Cooler heads prevailed and they decided to vote without me in the room on whether they wanted me to stay.

During the vote, I visited the SGA office and returned with Dave Cordeau, Speaker of the SGA, and SGA Student Activities Chair Shawna Wells, who informed the ISO that according to Vermont law and the SGA Constitution I was allowed to observe the meeting.

The vote concluded in the room. English Professor Helen Scott informed my compatriot and me that if I chose to stay they would cancel the meeting.

What are they are trying to

I would think they'd welcome their opposites to perhaps dispel perceived misconceptions as to what they stand for.

Unfortunately, they had no desire for me to see the inner workings of their organization, even with a promise to behave

and observe quietly.

The Socialists are permitted, if they choose, to congregate in front of Fort Benning, in D.C., Washington, the Bailey/Howe Library Waterman to protest loudly and express their opinion on policies that they disagree with.

Some may construe those actions as intimidating -especially the actions in Quebec last year. Yet their actions are still

How is it that this same freedom doesn't apply when someone who has been critical of them simply wants to listen and try to understand?

How is it that a UVM professor crossed the bounds of professionalism and told me to leave this meeting?

Is this appropriate behavior? UVM professors have a sterling reputation for upholding academic freedom.

It is unfortunate that the actions of these professors blemished that reputation. If ever I am again told that I fail to listen to my opponents, they will have themselves to blame.

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Spring Break Offers Plenty of Opportunities for All



Ashley Lyons

Ok, spring is nearly upon us, winter's legitimate reason for petering out.

A few more cold days have befallen us, in addition to a piddling amount of snow, but the

Cynic Columnist

Old Man has officially given us his three weeks

People have begun accepting this defiled winter, resigning themselves to some seriously muddy days to come.

But, of course, there is one aspect of this whole shebang that makes everyone happy: that hovering angel, spring break.

Such a vacation is pleasurable to all, whether for its merit in allowing folks to see their families, recharge from intense academics or party with consequences that UVM won't know about for a while.

Of course, others will. If you're indulging in a typical spring break getaway and you get caught with your pants down, aside from a civil disobedience charge that forever bars you from Virginia Beach, you might find yourself with a variety of bad p.r. in different states.

True, no one from UVM will be peeping over your shoulder to slap you either literally or with disciplinary measures, but we carry memories wherever life may so

Fortunately, though, not everyone thinks in terms of what they can pass off as acceptable on spring break.

Some people relish in the thought of helping their parents and siblings out for the week, savoring reunion hugs and homecooked meals.

And yet others are going to be participating in Alternative Spring Break, a series of community service projects arranged by UVM, ripe for students to aid.

These ladies and fellows are cur-

Regardless of how many reasons one can enumerate for why the flock flees for das celebration of greener things to come, there are still more.

rently experiencing, as almost tangible, firmly gripping hammers to deliver neat, direct blows to boards and nails.

Another crop of some students and professors, if so deciding to pursue academics during break, can at least do so more calmly and peaceably than would be so possible in the midst of the general schoolyear hullabaloo.

However, ...gardless of how many reasons one an enumerate for why the flock flees for das celebration of greener things to come, there are still more.

Innumerably more, ranging from being able to again run on one's own home turf, to teaching very young children the fundamentals of reading, to bronzing one's pallid Vermont skin.

After spring break, a renewed love can emerge between roommates, between significant others and even between students and studies.

Not nearly the expanse of time that is winter break, spring break allocates to all uvmissaries a few brief moments to collect their thoughts, sentimental items forgotten at home and numbers of attractive prospects.

Bear in mind, though, please, that spring break is indeed short; growing accustomed to its usually slower pace is never advisable.

Upon returning to UVM, there is work to be done, and those assignments and their assigners will not be sympathetic to the holdover of general malaise that fills people during allotted down-

They will expect attendance and compliance-not weather reports from the Caribbean. Unless they were there, too.

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UVM junior "Jane," a first-time user, cuts a line of cocaine for herself then snorts it through a straw.

Cocaine Leaves Students Craving for More

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table and rolls his cigarette in it before he smokes it. They buy another gram from Julie and she leaves. After 20 minutes, Mike feels the peak of the effects.

"Now I feel good," said Mike. "My heart's beating quicker, I'm a little sweaty. It makes your muscles contract. You plow beers. That was kind of a tease," he said, biting through the plastic bag of another gram.

The effects also hit Paul pretty hard. "My nasal cavity's burning," he said. "The music gets me fired up. Now I can actually

Mike pours most of the next gram on the table and Jane watches. It's 10:45 and Jane prepares to snort cocaine for the first time.

"I love putting things in my nose," she said, including Ritalin and heroin. "Coke has all this baggage with the word. That's kind of the reason I didn't want to be associated with it. I'm surprised I haven't blown it before."

Jane blows her first line. Minutes later, she's feeling more alert." I definitely have the drips," she said. "I feel good. I want

UVM juniors John*, Greg* and Rick* arrive minutes apart and everyone deliberates about who will get the last four lines. "People go crazy," said Mike. "They want to get into the middle

of it...cutting lines."

One at a time they snort the last four lines, roll their cigarettes in it and rub some on their teeth, coke acting as a local anesthetic.

At 11:30 p.m., they run out of cocaine. But Mike's glad he doesn't have any more money. Last Thursday evening, he snorted three and a half grams alone and said it destroyed him.

Mike said if he had an endless supply of cocaine his life would be over. "I would forget about everything," he said. "After a month, I would just be worthless. I don't think this is cool. I'm not proud of it. I don't think anyone's proud of it."

*names have been changed

Trinity Housing Disappoints Transfer Students

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campus, while a double costs roughly \$900 more at Trinity than elsewhere.

The Trinity housing contracts run two months longer than other contracts, from Aug. 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002, making them more costly. Trinity residents pay a monthly rate equal to what others pay for other dorms, \$449 for a double and \$543 for an extralarge single.

"They're paying for a couple of additional months because that's the only agreement that we were able to make with Trinity," said Clokey. "Instead of charging them from August 1, we charged them from the day they moved into the hall."

The problem is that UVM is unable to provide housing for everyone who requested it for this academic year. UVM converted lounges into triples in order to fit more students into the buildings it already has. Those new spaces filled up. "We ended up with some students on our wait list that we were not going to be able to accommodate." Clokey said.

First priority in dorm selection at UVM is given to returning students, while second priority is given to first-year students. Transfers and non-traditional students rank lowest on the housing totem poll. In early July, Residential Life began the process of informing students of

the Trinity contracts as a last resort for access to housing. "There may have been some students who didn't get notified until the end of July," said Clokey. Junior Rich Deronda remembers receiving notice from UVM later than that.

Calamari, who transferred from community college in New Jersey, received information about Trinity housing and telephone numbers for local apartments from Residential Life a month before coming to UVM. He said he did not know how far Trinity was from other dorm and was disappointed with the services he found on arrival. "It's not a lot of time" to find an apartment, Calamari said. As he saw it, dishes to get a clear signal "Either you accept Trinity, or you're not on campus."

Roy Ferland, Assistant Director of Residential Life at UVM, said the main obstacle to installing Ethernet and cable TV in the dorms in Hunt Hall is that UVM doesn't own the property.

The Trinity residence halls were constructed in the 1960's, and installation would be very costly because of the buildings' designs.

"There's no ability to provide internet access through the current wiring," said Clokey.

The cost of providing housing in the Trinity units is very for UVM already. According to Clokey, "We already were subsidizing [Trinity

housing units] pretty heavily." Despite the fact that UVM doesn't own the property, sophomore Calamari still thinks it's unfair that undergrads in Hunt don't have access to amenities found elsewhere on campus.

"When you see it being provided, and you're paying the expense cost, you expect it," Calamari said. Calamari complains that his television only receives CBS and ABC. "All I need is my SportsCenter and I'd be a happy man."

Residential Life considered installing Direct TV to provide cable for at least the lounge areas, but too many trees near dormitory buildings would prevent the small Ferland said.

Calamari remains convinced, though, that Residential Life has not done all it can to address his concerns. Hunt residents also complain that Hunt lacks a sense of community with the rest of UVM, and it is too far from other dorms

"Since we're isolated, it creates boredom," said Calamari. Rich Deronda seemed to hit on the same point, saying, "It's ridiculous. We're stuck out in the middle of nowhere." Calamari acknowledges that some students in Hunt have been in a fair deal of trouble with Judicial Affairs. "You can't help but to see bad things happen when people are disgruntled," he said.

UVM Police Key In Room Looking for Emergency

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room, expecting a noise violation notice to be slid under the door, something that has happened in the past, they said.

The police continued knocking on the door, asking, "Brian, are you OK? Let us in." Police officers outside began shining flashlights in through the window of the room, which is located on the ground floor.

The officers warned the roommates that they would key into the room, but the two still didn't want to open the door, since they had been drinking alcohol and had beer in their fridge.

Ross and Stolp said they still expected that a noise violation would be slipped under the door, despite the commotion, the officers' persistence and the fact that they said they weren't being loud.

After finding the RA, the police keyed into Chittenden, 115, where Ross and Stolp live. By then, about 10 minutes had passed since the police arrived at the scene and four officers were pres-

Ross and Stolp remain convinced that nobody had dialed 911 on their phone. Both residents also think that the police overstepped their boundaries when they keyed into their dorm.

"The thing that I don't understand [is that] they said it was a 911 call and it was an emergency," said Stolp. "I think that they, like, set us up." Stolp also recalls an officer saying, "It worked."

But Ross and Stolp admit that a third person may have called 911 from their room while they were absent, between 12:30 and 1 a.m. Stolp said, "It would have been a very slow response," referring to the fact that he remembers the police calling around 1:20 a.m.

Stolp suggested, at one point, that one of them could have dialed 911 by mistake, although they don't remember making any long distance calls that evening, which would require dialing 9 and then 1 and the area code.

Captain Lianne Toumey of UVM Police Services said that a 911 hang-up occurred at 1:20 a.m. which was traced to Chittenden, 115. Captain Tourney also said a return call was made to 115 Chittenden "instantaneously."

She said that the dispatcher's computer places a return call to the source of a 911 hang-up automatically, and that there is no lag time between a 911 hang-up and the return call. "It would be simultaneous," Captain Toumey said.

Those records also indicate that nobody at 115 Chittenden answered the return call made by UVM dispatch at 1:20.

Following a 911 hang-up call, police are required to make an immediate return call, according to Evalyn Bailey, who is the Executive Director of the Enhanced 911 Board of the State of Vermont.

When there is no response to that return call, any police department in the state of Vermont

would be required to send an officer to investigate, she said. The enhanced 911 Board is responsible for writing the state's protocol for dealing with 911 calls.

UVM Police Services said officers were dispatched and arrived at the scene at 1:21, one minute after they received the 911 hang-up.

Tourney said that the officers began knocking on the door to Chittenden, 115. They could hear individuals inside the room talking and thought that they heard a noise like someone falling come from inside the room.

After knocking for a few minutes without getting a response, and unable to verify that there was no emergency, officers at the scene requested dispatch to make a second call to the dorm room. Ross answered this second phone call, Captain Toumey said.

'I can tell you what our protocols are, and I can tell you that we follow them.'

> -Captain Lianne Toumey **UVM Police Services**

Asked if police always send officers to investigate after reconnecting with the source of a hang up, Captain Tourney replied, "I don't use superlatives. I don't think you can say always." Still, Toumey said, "It's a public safety issue."

The person dialing 911 may not be able to report the incident over the phone if, for example, they are under immediate threat of harm by an attacker. "I believe our policy is that, if there's any doubt in your mind, you should send someone."

Evalyn Bailey also said that dispatchers have "amazing" instincts at determining if there is an emergency or if an officer should be sent to the scene to investigate a 911 hang-up based on what dispatchers hear while making return calls.

Captain Toumey explained that Police Services receives prank 911 calls fairly often.

Students sometimes will dial 911 from phones in dormitory lounges and deliberately leave the phone off the hook.

Each of those calls has to be investigated by sending an officer to the scene.

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A UVM student takes his chances with parking enforcement so that he will make it to class on time. On average, he spends about 45 minutes a day either looking for parking or waiting for the commuter bus.

Plans for New Parking Garage at University Cancelled

The construction of a 900-car parking garage near Gutterson Fieldhouse to address the parking problem at UVM was abandoned recently, due in large part to budget constraints.

A lack of parking on campus has long been an issue for UVM students who may be seen doing laps around the library parking lot at night, and there just doesn't seem to be enough space for everyone.

Junior Rachel Kradin is irked by the parking dilemma on campus and isn't alone. I think it's ridiculous to have insufficient parking space at the library," Kradin said, "This sort of situation doesn't exactly encourage students to go and complete their assignments, does it?" The garage fell through because of its price.

"The cost was quite extravagant," said John Cafey, interim director of UVM Transportation and Parking Services. "Quotes became larger and larger as time went by."

The \$11,000,000 price tag of the proposed garage was too costly for the University to pursue. Students have been paying a heavy price in parking citations because of the lack of available parking space 19,822 parking citations were issued in the year 2001 alone.

As the University is proceeding with plans to add another 200 beds to on-campus housing, there will be an increasing need for parking spaces on campus and the necessity to explore new options to address the current situation.

-Staff Report



Community Works Day on April 20

For the sixth year, UVM's Community Works program is matching UVM students, faculty and staff members with volunteer projects at local non-profit agencies in the Burlington area.

One Works day was held on Feb. 23, with groups volunteering at 10 agencies including Vermont Cares. Green Mountain Needle Exchange, Pine Street Child Care Center, COTS and Recycle North.

And, in response to increased demand, another Community Works day will be held on April 20, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Last year, more than 350 UVM community members volunteered at 22 nonprofits, contributing more than 900 hours of service.

The volunteers painted, participated in spring-cleaning projects, spent time with the elderly and collected canned goods for the local. food shelf. "Community Works allowed us as a house to work with other UVM groups and to get out into the community," said Adam Wolk, a senior and member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. "Everyone working together shows how much you can accomplish in just a few hours." To register for April 20 or for more information, call 656-

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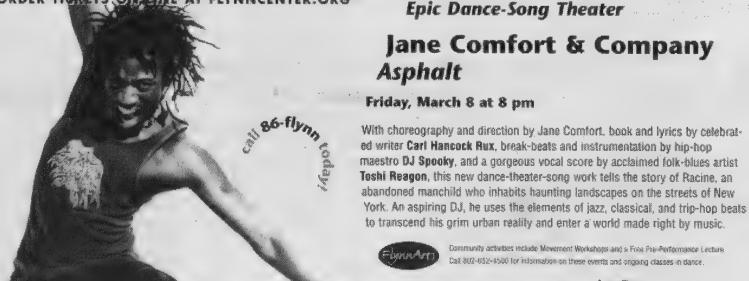
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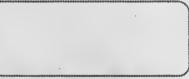
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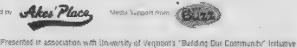
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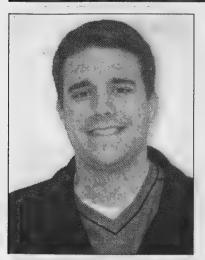
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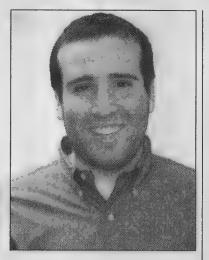
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SGA presidential candidates (from left to right) John Badaracco, Tim Allen, and Adam Dubin.

Three Candidates Vie For SGA Présidency

By KRISTIN DOBBS

Tim Allen, Jon Badaracco, and Adam Dubin are working aggressively in the final week of their campaign for Student Government Association (SGA) Presidency for 2002-2003.

The election will take place March 12 and 13 in Bailey/Howe Library.

Sophomore Tim Allen is currently the Chair of the Student Action Committee, and has been involved with the SGA for the past two years. He is running with sophomore Bryce James.

"With Student Action, I've focused on advocating for change," said Allen. "We take issues and see how they can be solved."

Allen plans to focus on working with students and communicating with the administration to improve the school and its image.

Allen has also worked on bringing back the Vermont Student Opinion Poll, which helps the SGA determine problems and issues the students have.

The SGA, according to Allen, has improved in the past few years. "It's gotten much better," said Allen.

"The polls have helped, because it get students thinking. We've been incorporating students and trying to help improve student image."

Allen thinks he will be the best candidate for president because of his work with the SGA and with students. "I am effective with the administration and I deal well with people," said Allen:

"I respond well. Look at what the other candidates have done. They are great people and have done great things, but it is different than dealing with student action."

Sophomore Adam Dubin is campaigning without a running mate.

He plans to focus on bringing the students together through media sources and working on diversity and accountability for the school.

"The SGA has not attempted to reach all students," said Dubin.

"If we had a weekly SGA paper where the Senate could address things in detail, that would help. If elected, I will attempt to make regular radio or TV addresses."

Dubin believes that issues of diversity could be worked on with

an executive board or committee with representatives from all minorities, to discuss and deal with problems on campus.

Building a bar and nightclub is another suggestion Dubin has put forth. "It would create revenue, be a central rallying place for students and it would keep kids on campus."

The SGA, according to Dubin, needs some work. "They tend to think they are experts on things, but they are not," said Dubin. "Forty people can't run the school-we need all 8,000."

Dubin believes he will be the best candidate because he has more experience with more of the student body. "I, unlike the other two, bring a prospective of more students than the current SGA." The last presidential candidate, junior Ion Badaracco, is currently the SGA Treasurer. He is running with junior Shawna Wells.

Badaracco thinks that issues with student involvement, student

concerns, including diversity and housing and good communication all need to be addressed.

"We are ready to advance the school to the next level," said Badaracco. "We want to better the school climate, and work closely with the new president and others to make it happen."

The SGA, according to Badaracco, has had its ups and downs. "Every year is different. Next year, with the new president, the SGA will round up students' opinions and get out to the dorms." Badaracco feels he will be the best candidate for president between his experience in the SGA and his determination.

"I have seen three SGA presidents come and go, and I know the inner-workings of the SGA. "I am running on my quote. Being a student at UVM you have four years to take advantage of all that UVM has to offer, and four years to make things happen."



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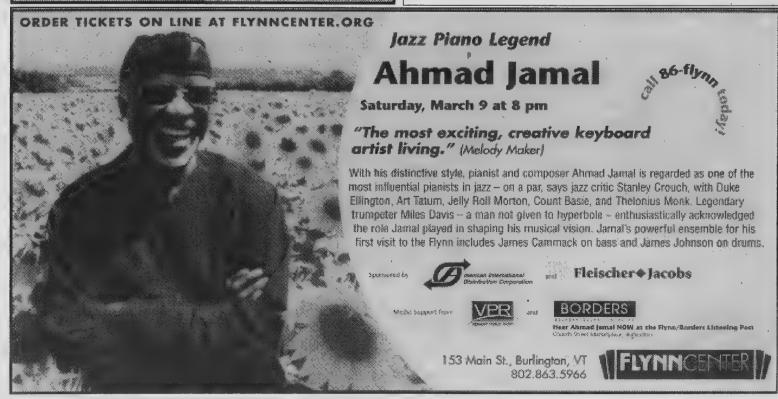
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When we came back from semester break, he wouldn't even talk to me. His ex-girlfriend has visited him a couple of times.

I think he won't talk to me because he has become involved with his ex-girlfriend again.

Help! Should I confront him about our relationship, or just continue to ignore him and keep my pride? What should I do?

-Stuck in Tupper

Dearest Stuck in Tupper,

Okay, I'm a little confused. Christmas break lasted a whole month.

I can't believe that if the two of you didn't talk that entire time, you did not suspect that something was wrong? Especially after what happened before you left?

Obviously this guy is a little scared, or he has changed his mind about the two of you.

Whether or not he is with his ex, he is obviously not showing much regard for your feelings, or your "relationship."

I think it is best that you just move on. The signs he is giving you are loud and clear: HE IS NOT INTERESTED ANYMORE!

While these are things you may not want to hear, if you can understand this, you may still have time to save your integrity.

As far as dating someone down the hall...BAD IDEA!

Not only will you have to see him everyday, but the two of you probably have mutual friends, etc.

The best I can say is, give yourself time and space from this guy, and in the future pay a little more attention to the signs.

Not talking for a month and inviting the ex up are definite signs that he is not trying to salvage what you once had. Good luck in the future.

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Photo Courtesy of the Flynn Center Ireland's all-star quintet Lunasa will be joined by Irish-American singer Cathie Ryan to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day at the Flynn Center on Sunday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m.

Are We Getting That Old?

I couldn't restrain the panic that seized me Saturday night when an ad came on the All-Request Open House Party for the "Cosby Show" marathon starting Sunday all week all night from nine o'clock on Nick at Nite.

"The Cosby show"? In the rerun time block that plays television classics? Shows like "I Love Lucy" and "Bewitched"? Shows my mom was watching when she was...my age? We are officially getting old. How much longer until Madonna's "Like a Virgin" is playing on the oldies station?

Do you remember being a kid in the eighties? Remember Debbie Gibson? Popples? Downtown Julie Brown? Judy Blume? He-Man, She-Ra and Skeletor?

Do you remember not connecting stalking or sexual harassment to Michael Jackson trotting after the pretty lady in the video for "The Way You Make Me Feel?"

The sad thing is that a lot of the things that were so awesome when we were kids are still around today. However, they have been so modified and "improved" to keep public interest that they resemble the original in the way that a rotting corpse resembles a body in the prime of life and health.

I remember watching Hulk Hogan clutching his stretcher and vowing to make Andre the Giant pay for beating him so badly. Today, the WWF features a lot of surgically-enhanced chicks pounding each other and being tossed about by men three or four times their size.

I remember my dad telling me not to watch the Madonna video for "Like a Prayer." You know, the one with the burning crosses, the rape scene and the black Jesus? Now, the epitome of a properly scandalous and hot video is Britney Spears romping in a club with some oiled-up dancers.

I don't think I would mind getting old if I knew that the pop culture that will haunt my remaining years will be one that engages me intellectually and socially. But the one that I see developing either regurgitates hits from the past that have earned their rest, or repeats the same theme so many times that the audience wants to introduce the business end of a shotgun to the television. How many more trivia or reality shows are the networks going to hit us with?

The past should not be forgotten. However, refusal to let it go and try something new is a spell for disaster. We are seeing some new, refreshing trends in pop culture. For example, that new brand wholesome-but-not-quite-Christian rock, like Creed and P.O.D., puts out some good music. Nevertheless, too much of what we see on television and hear on the radio remain stale and repetitive. We cannot help that time moves on and change comes, but we can exercise our right to call garbage, trash...as long as we remember to take it out.

Mary Kate Guccion is the Arts Editor for the Cynic. She is a member of the class of 2002.



Hit Paws Joins UVM A Capella Scene

By MARY KATE GUCCION

We've seen their posters all over campus, advertising concerts and auditions. UVM's latest a cappella singing group, the Hit Paws, has joined the Cat's Meow and the Top Cats as part of the University's musical community.

"We just want to create nice music, above all else. We just want to sing," says member Samantha Klein.

The group was the brainchild of former and current Top Cats Greg Swain and Binks Potter, respectively. Oddly, the motivation was to take some pressure off the Cat's Meow, UVM's only female a cappella group. Sixty female students tried out for two openings in the group at the auditions held at the beginning of last semester.

The Hit Paws is officially UVM's only co-ed a cappella group.

In response, the Hit Paws came into being. Since they began meeting in October, the group has performed at McGill University in Canada, and at many UVM campus functions. They held their first concert on Feb. 23 at the Ira Allen Chapel. At 7 a.m., on March 29, the Hit Paws will sing on the morning show on CBS's Vermont network. They are also scheduled to perform at Admitted Students Day in April.

"We've certainly come a lot further than anyone would have expected in such a short amount of time," says Kate Marsi, the group's music director. The group faced a lot of difficulty because it had to build a repertoire of songs to perform from scratch in just a few months.

The Hit Paws' store of music has grown into a long list of tunes most people can recognize and enjoy. Among them are "Standing Still," by Jewel; "Everywhere," by Michelle Branch; "Mr. Jones," by the Counting Crows; and "Just My Imagination," by the Temptations.

"Everybody brings their tastes to the group, so it creates a diverse repertoire," says Marsi.

The Hit Paws is officially UVM's only co-ed a cappella group. The SGA approved them on the condition that they incorporate male singers into the group. Benefits of being an SGA-recognized organization include funding, permission to rent out the Ira Allen Chapel and the ability to represent UVM at various events, as shown by the upcoming performance at Admitted Students Day.

Right now, the Hit Paws consists of eleven young women. The admission of men will be a slow process, as several positions in the group need to open at once. For example, the latest audition was for just one opening. One man and ten women will not produce a well-blended, harmonious sound.

Nonetheless, eventually the University of Vermont will sport three a cappella groups, each distinct from the others, yet equally appreciated. "I'm really excited about the direction the group is headed in," said president Allyson Miserocchi. "I think we are off to a great start."

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Catamount Sports



NFL Free Agency



Ben Dickie
Cynic Sports
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Still riding the high of both basketball teams' recent successes, I have almost been oblivious to the sports world outside of

I happen to turn on the television this morning and am smack right in the middle of John Madden being interviewed by Dan Patrick.

Vermont.

I guess no longer are only players becoming free agents; I mean, thesedays, even coaches are being traded for and announcers are being lured away by other suitors.

Ok, slow down, one thing at a time. John, Gruden was basically traded away, by the Raiders? Tampa Bay gave up two first-round picks, two second-round picks, eight million dollars cash and basically a winning record for the next four years. In case the Bucs don't realize, they are very short on offensive firepower and by

How many times can I listen to (Madden) talk about cooking sausages on the top of Nate Newton's steaming head?

giving away their future in picks, it isn't going to get any better soon. You can't rely on defense all the time (just ask the Baltimore Ravens), and even though everyone in the NFL thinks Gruden is some offensive guru who can turn this ship around, he is going to need to fix a few leaks first.

With his new contract, Gruden will be making \$3.5 million a year, which is probably more than what three-quarters of the roster is making. His big salary will soon run into The Big Ego, a.k.a. Keyshawn Johnson. I don't know what I would rather watch: Gruden and Keyshawn arguing over a fourth down play call or the proposed Pay-Per-View boxing match between Tony Harding and Amy Fisher?

On to topic two: Madden entering the Monday Night Football booth. Is ABC crazy, or are they just trying to keep up with CBS and have their own reality TV show like Survivor and see how long it takes America to throw MNF off the air? Listening to John Madden call a game is almost as upsetting as losing your fake ID. The only thing that he is good at analyzing is the parking lot tailgate party; I mean, how many times can I listen to him talk about cooking sausages on the top of Nate Newton's steaming head?

Madden might as well face it; he will never live up to the same standards they we have all come to expect from his video games. Next thing you know, they will probably just fire Melissa Stark while they are at it and have Erik Dickerson and his monotone breakdown cover both teams.

Ben Dickie is a weekly columnist for the Cynic and can be reached at YCSparts@cynic.uvm.edu from mid-slot to finish off a a shot from the two-on-one break with Blair point to cut SLU's Clarance. lead to 3-2. Sharp

Blackbears Upset Top-Seeded Catamounts, 61-59

MEN'S BASKETBALL

With a second-half comeback, fifth-seeded Maine forced overtime and went on to upset top-seeded Vermont, 61-59, in the semifinals of the 2002 America East Men's Basketball Championships at Matthews Arena on Sunday afternoon.

The loss eliminates the regular season champion Catamounts from the conference tournament and halts their attempt at earning the school's first trip to the NCAA's.

"This loss hurts so much because of how much I love this team and they never quit," commented UVM head coach Tom Brennan, "It is very hard it to win 12 games one season and a champion the next. But each of us can hold their head high and say that they were part of the best Vermont basketball team in the

102 years we have played the sport. I tip my hat to (Maine coach) John Giannini, a good friend who is a great coach."

Vermont struggled from the floor in the early going, shooting just 33% overall, 2-for-11 from three-point range as the Black Bears (12-17) jumped out to a 31-23 halftime lead.

After a basket by Derrick Jackson (team-high 13 points) pushed the Maine lead to ten points, the Catamounts needed just four minutes to draw even. Five points by Trevor Gaines and T.J. Sorrentine fueled a 16-0 run which gave UVM a 39-33 advantage with 11 minutes to play.

Two minutes later, Taylor Coppenrath hit a three-pointer to give the Cats their biggest lead, 44-35, before the Black Bears, also with the three-pointer, mounted their comeback. Derrick Jackson drilled a pair of threes as the teams exchanged the

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-Tom Brennan Head Coach

lead three times in the last three minutes. On their last possession of regulation, Errick Greene tied the game, 51-51, with six seconds left. In the extra session, Clayton Brown (12 points) scored six points to give Maine the lead before an off-balance shot by David Hehn was off the mark with one second left to seal the upset.

Gaines, who, on Friday, was called the heart and soul of the team' by Sorrentine while accepting the Kevin Roberson Player of the Year Award, finished with 20 points and 12 rebounds for his 17th double-double of the season to establish a new UVM single-season record.

The late, great Roberson, who twice had 16, in 1990-91 and 1991-92, held the previous mark. Junior Grant Anderson, one of Vermont's top players in the stretch drive, had 13 points and 11 boards. Sorrentine struggled from the field in both games at Matthews Arena, added 12 points and four assists.

The Catamounts, still a long shot for an NIT bid, fall to 21-8 on the season, a campaign in which they broke the 55 year-old-school-record for victories.

The Catamounts recently swept the major America East awards for 2002. Trevor Gaines was a unanimous, all-America East, first team selection. Tom Brennan was named the coach of the year. Taylor Coppenrath earned Rookie of the Year honors while sophomore T.J. Sorrentine was named the Kevin Roberson America East Player of the Year.

-Sports Info.



UVM Climbers Place First at Middlebury

The Outing Club rock climbers placed first for the second straight year at the Middlebury College Climbing Festival on Saturday.

Clockwise from the left is Ward McKonley, Omar Qazi and Sam Bacon.

The group was represented by their mascot, "Vitamin L," and in continuing the tradition, they took home the pink chalk bag which is given each year to the team with the best score as a whole.

Sam Bacon also won the award for Biggest Whipper.

Photos by Evamarie Perron



Disappointing Season Comes to an End for Cats

The Men's hockey team finshed its season with a 3-2 loss to St. Lawrence in Canton, NY on Saturday night.

Vermont, 3-26-2 overall and 3-17-1 in ECAC play, tied the game at 1-1 when sophomore Patrick Sharp scored his team-leading 13th goal of the season at 11:24 of the second period.

John Longo started the play at the Vermont blue line and worked the puck to Brady Leisenring along the boards in front of the Vermont bench.

Leisenring carried the puck into the SLU zone and chipped a pass to Sharp, who took two strides and beat Mike McKenna high to the glove side with a knuckeball-type shot.

The Saints took a 2-1 lead at 6:14 of the third period when Robin Carruthers ripped a shot from mid-slot to finish off a two-on-one break with Blair

MEN'S HOCKEY

Sortal, who was brilliant the entire game, had no chance on the goal, the 27th in Carruthers'

St. Lawrence made it 3-1 at 11:49 of the third when Bartlett scored his fourth of the season and the 42nd of his career on a one-timer from the left circle. Colin Fitzrandolph and Andy Marchetti assisted on the goal.

Sortal was pulled in the final minute, and Vermont kept

the offensive pressure on. With 15 seconds remaining in regulation, senior Mark Gouett scored his first goal of the season — and the fourth of his career — on a shot from the point to cut SLU's lead to 3-2. Sharp

and senior captain Ryan Cox assisted.

In the final seconds, Vermont had an excellent chance to tie the game. Sharp got the puck near the net and fired a wrist shot that McKenna got a piece of with his pad. The puck just missed the net before going to the corner, and St. Lawrence had the win.

Sortal finished with a season-high 45 saves for Vermont.
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SPRING SPORTS 2002 PREVIEW

Men's Baseball

Coach: Bill Carrie

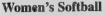
Record Last Year: 23-22 overall (10-17

Returning Players: Jeff Barry (CF), Jeff Tarigo (C), Andy Kumming (RHP), Jeff Dixon (RHP), Brian Robinson (LHP)

Key New Comers: Jason Carey (OF), Mike Smith (RHP)

Coach's Outlook: "We have an experienced returning pitching staff who will

be very important helping us return to last year's form. Other than our pitching staff, we are a young team and I will be looking for the new guys to step up right away and give our pitchers some run support."



Coach: Pam Childs

Record Last Year: 14-29 overall (5-23

Returning Players: Jamie Sawyer (3B), Nicole Bouffard (2B), Amanda Collis (C), Angie Totaro (P), Tara Massey (P) Key New Comers: Christine Toomey (OF), Megan Long (DP,1B)

Coach's Outlook: "We had a great finish to the season last year and I am hoping we can use that as momentum to carry us into 2002. Our starting infield will give us a great deal of confidence and experience."



Coach: Ed Cousiac

Last Year's Finish: 6th in America East Returning Athletes: Jeff Guilmette (shot put), George

Freshman right pitching staff.

hander Mike Smith hopes to add to the already strong

Megan Long, from

Providence, RI.

Key New Comers: Danny Coates (M), Myles Jewel (M), Joe Herr (M)

Coach's Outlook: "This year's team numbers are down, but there is a great team attitude and even better work ethic. I have a really good feeling

Dean (distance runner), Peter Raak (distance runner), Ryan McDonald (sprinter)

Key New Comers: Jeff Manly (distance runner), Eben Endris (distance runner), David Turner (distance runner)

Women's Track & Field

Coach: Ed Coustac

Last Year's Finish- 1st in America East

Returning Athletes: Kristal Kostiew (throwing specialist), Michelle Palmer (runner), Eliana Coutryer (runner), Tee Gingres (400m, 800m), Amanda Logan (multi-event), Sarah Lovell (shot put, discus)

Key New Comers: Erin O'Grady (sprinter), Adrienne Gaetare (sprinter), Michelle Waste (sprinter), Rachel King (multi-event), Elizabeth Young (all around runner), Ann Morrison (pole vault)

Men's and Women's Coach's Outlook: "With what we've got, we have some great individuals. We can't run into any sickness or injuries. We have top flight eastern athletes and by some fate of luck if we can get them healthy, we will be a great team."

Men's Lacrosse

Coach: Steve Beville

Record Last Year: 8-6 overall (2-3 AE)

Returning Players: Eddie Burns (G), Doug Moses (A), Phil McKnight (A), Mark Prior (A), Dave Hudascko (M), Jeff Fauci (M), Gar Smith (D), Kevin McElwee (D), Denny Grant (D), Justin Dukes (D), Andy Daly (D)

about the team chemistry overall."

Women's Lacrosse

Coach: Kissy Rowley Record Last Year: 3-11 (1-5 AE) Returning Players: Courtney Keefe (A), Molly Sheehan (M/A), Christina Garis (D), Jessica Krick (D) Key New Comers: Kate Parker (A), Holly Roberts (A), Corrina Noering (A), Vanessa Cox (A/M)



Senior Courtney Keefe tallied 15 goals and 11 assists in 14 games in 2001.

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Smith is also co-captain of the 802.862.3374 or The Cats look forward to the men's golf team.

By LISA OBRENTZ

Patrick Gym filled with faithful fans last week to bid farewell to graduating Seniors Libby Smith and Jen MacAulay. Vermont hosted Albany for their last home game of the season, and in the process won its 11th straight game with a score of 77-55.

"Jen approached this last year in such a positive giving way," said Cieplicki. "We wouldn't be league champions without her this year," ne added.

MacAulay has done whatever it takes to ensure success for the team during her time at UVM.

"Hopefully, I've set a good example," she said. "I've had some hard times here, but I just kept working hard, kept my head up, and good things came to me."

A native Vermonter, Libby Smith has grown up in front of the fans of the Burlington community.

"I have a lot to be thankful for in growing up in this basketball community," said Smith.

"It means a lot when people come and show their support for you and their encouragement. It makes me smile more than anything else."

During her four years at UVM, she has been an integral part of the team that has won two America East regular-season titles, an America East Tournament title and taken a trip to the NCAA tournament. Coach Keith Cieplicki: "She's really taken responsibility for herself and for her team.

"Libby came in with great expectations," said Cieplicki. "I'm so proud of the way she's carried herself with such class and dignity."

Smith has started every game of her career at UVM. Her athleticism, leadership and work ethic have allowed for her to become one of the greatest female athletes

ever to come out of Vermont. everyone to know how apprecia-

On an emotional last night playing at home, Smith concluded: "I'm thankful for it all, and I want

Cats' Seniors End on High Note With Win Over Albany

tive I am."

America upcoming Championship, to be held at Hartford University.



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Calendar of Events, March 6 - 11

6 Wednesday

Noon - 1:00 p.m. Luncheon: Kick-Off Potluck Luncheon for International Women's Day. Everyone is welcome, bring anything to share. ALANA Student Center, Blundell House, Redstone Campus.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Seminar: "Development of a DNA-based vaccination for the prevention of bovine Statphylococcal mastitis,' Elizabeth Carter, Graduate Student, Department of Animal Science, Information: 656-2070.

7:30 p.m. Play: "Our Town", by Thornton Wilder. Directed by Mark Nash. A timeless classic celebrating the wonder of being alive. Call 86-Flynn for tickets. At FlynnSpace.

7 Thursday

Noon - 1 p.m. Film: "Domino," tells the story of six interracial couples who discuss issues such as identity, cultural isolation, and the search for community. 104 Allen House, 461 Main Street. Please register for seating. Information: Willie Cruz, 656-7990, mailto:learning@ced.uvm.edu.

5:00 p.m. Talk: "The Landscape in Context: Poland's Wartime Memory and the Uses of History", Jonathan Huener, assistant professor, History Department, UVM. A reception will follow in the Marble Court.

6 p.m. Film and Discussion: Blossoms of Fire/Ramo de Fuego. Discussion follows led by Peggy O'Neill-Vivanco M.A. and Luis Vivanco, Asst. Prof in Anthropology. 315 L/L Commons.

7:30 p.m. Play: "Our Town", by Thornton Wilder. Directed by Mark Nash. Call 86-Flynn for tickets. At FlynnSpace.

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Film: "Butterfly." Director: Jose Luis Cuerda, Spain, 1999, 94 min. In Spanish with English Subtitles. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 802-656-3196, mailto:romlang@zoo.uvm.edu, or visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Play: "The Miracle Worker," William Gibson. Presented by the UVM Theatre. A true-to-life story of friendship and courage as seen in the lives of Helen Keller and Anne Sullivan Macy. Tickets \$9 to \$12.50. Royal 1 Tyler Theatre, 116 University Place. Information: 656-2094 or http://www.uvm.edu/~theatre.

8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Coffeehouse: Rhythm & Brews Coffeehouse. Fireplace Lounge, Living/Learning Center Commons Building. Information: 656-4200, mailto:segreenl@zoo.uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/~llcenter.

8 riday

8 a.m. - 9 a.m. Keynote Speaker: "Breaking the Silence: Global Concerns for Women with HIV/AIDS" Sondra Soloman, Asst. Prof. In Psychology. Waterman Manor.

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Event: 10th Annual Study Abroad Fair. An opportunity to speak with Study Abroad representatives about hundreds of programs around the world. Marsh Dining Hall. Information: Office of International Education 656-4296 or http://www.uvm.edu/oie.

3 p.m. Tea Ceremony: Traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony. Japanese Language Program. Memorial Lounge, Waterman.

6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Forum: "Women with Disabilities." Prior to a performance of THE MIRACLE WORKER, a panel of faculty, staff, and students will discuss socio-political issues surrounding women with disabilities. Craftsbury Room, Royall Tyler Theatre. Information: 656-2094 or http://www.uvm.edu/~theatre.

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8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Performance: "Asphalt," Jane Comfort and Company. Dance-theater epic using hip-hop, Latin, African, and trance music to explore the journey of the human spirit as it rises above the violence of urban decay. Two for one tickets available to UVM affiliates. Flynn Center for the Performing Arts, 153 Main St., Burlington. Information: ALANA Student Center, 656-3819. mailto:jmejia@zoo.uvm.edu.http://www.flynncenter.org.



Flynn MainStage/ Arther Igrot Jane Comfort's New Dance/Theater Work Asphalt tells the story of Racine, and abandoned manchild who inhabits haunting landscapes on the streets of New York. Asphalt uses the movement and sounds of hip-hop, Latin, African, and trance music to explore the journey of the human spirit as it rises above the violence and desolation of urban decay.

See it Friday, March 8th at 8 p.m. at Burlington's Flynn Center. Tickets are \$25.50, \$20.50, and \$16.50. Visit the Flynn Center on-line at www.flynncenter.org.

9 Saturday

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Alternative Weekend: Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports (VASS) Ski Race, Pico, VT. Information: Ben Zimmerman, 656-2060.

Noon - 3 p.m. Equine Fair: Horse care information, Riding Demonstrations, Equine services, UVM Morgans; free admission, rain or shine. Free parking at Gutterson with shuttle service available.

7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Concert: North Indian (Hindustani) classical music by Philadelphia-based sitar player Allyn Miner accompanied by Samir Chatterjee on the tabla. Presented by the Friends of Indian Music and Dance. Tickets \$10, \$7, \$5 from Campus Ticket Store. Recital Hall, Redstone Campus. Information: 656-3085 tickets, or 860-9556. mailto:fimd@zoo.uvm.edu.

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10 day

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3:00 p.m. Concert: Gala concert commemorating 75th anniversary of it's founding in Ira Allen Chapel. Featuring the University Concert Band and the first performance of Prof. Thomas Read's Celebration for orchestra and choir.

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Forum: "Experiencing THE MIRACLE WORKER." Discussion following the play. Royall Tyler Theatre, Room 210. Time approximate. Information: 656-2094 or http://www.uvm.edu/~theatre.

11 Monday

3:30 p.m. - 4:50 p.m. Lecture: "Brownfields, Corporate Liability, and Community Assets, "Karen Dixon, Rutgers University. Kalkin 001. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176, mailto:egetchel@zoo.uvm.edu.

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UVM Police Issue Students Traffic Tickets for **Underage Drinking**

By DAMON LUCIANO

In the fiscal year 2001, UVM Police Services issued 1203 traffic tickets, according to their Annual Crime Statistics.

The number of traffic tickets issued more than doubled from the previous year, up from 485.

A number of the traffic tickets were issued for possession or consumption of alcohol as a minor, Chief Margolis said.

Chief Margolis attributes the increase in citations to a larger police force.

"We had officers who were in training who are now out of training.... There's more of them out there...."

UVM Police Services issued approximately 172 civil violations or criminal citations for possession or consumption of alcohol by a minor during the calendar year

A civil violation for underage drinking is categorized as a traffic ticket in UVM Police statistics, according to Margolis.

Students issued a University Violation Notice and a traffic tick-

et for underage drinking face penalties from the Office of Judicial Affairs and the State of

A traffic ticket could result in the temporary suspension of an individual's driver's license, fines, drug counseling and an alcohol education course.

"If you choose to drink under. age, you run the risk of losing your driver's license," Margolis

believes Margolis changes made in the law tying underage drinking offenses to driving privileges were motivated by a spate of drunk driving accidents that left a number of teenagers dead a few years ago.

He said officers who encounter minors consuming alcohol in the dorms generally issue U.V.N:s, but do not usually issue civil violations.

"UVM is not a zero tolerance community," Margolis said.

Still, he warns, "If you have a beer, vou could get written up . . . Chances are, you're gonna get a

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Seton Mangine/VC Staff

Director of UVM TV Nick Haggerty films a teach-in at Ira Allen Chapel after the Sept. 11 attacks.

Residential Life Temporarily **Cancels Student Programming** on UVM Television

By MIKE BANYAS

UVM's Department of Residential Life pulled studentrun programming on UVM TV off the air two weeks ago, alleging that the bi-monthly program "Ed's Corner" violated dorm policy guidelines.

Director Interim Residential Life David Clokey cited the depiction of an individual rolling a tobacco spliff and smoking it in a dorm room and the hateful targeting of individuals on campus as reasons for the temporary cancellation of student pro-

"Residential Life felt that what was going on with student programming not only put those students in danger, but others as well," said Clokev.

"It was our responsibility to protect and uphold the safety of the student body and this is why UVM TV is under review at the

According to Clokey, original UVM TV guidelines fell under three rules: no hate speech, no infractions of Residential Life

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UVM Forces Gymnastics to Call it Quits After Two Decades in NCAA



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

Members of the gymnastics team prepare for practice. After this season, the team will no longer be a recognized varsity sport at UVM.

Team Frustrated at Cancellation of Program

By KRISTIN DOBBS

UVM's men's and women's gymnastics teams will hold their final varsity meets March 24. The teams will no longer exist due to the athletic department cut ting the programs last fall.

The University, in pursuit of becoming a more academicallyfocused school, has cut five out of the 27 varsity programs, including gymnastics, which started as a non-scholarship varsity program

Three of the top six teams with the highest GPAs are being cut next year, including volleyball (second), men's gymnastics (third), and men's track and field (sixth).

Last year, UVM's men's gymnastics team was ranked number one in the nation for aca-

Team members range from mechanical and electrical engineering majors to psychology majors.

"They epitomize the scholar athlete, and they are getting rid of those scholar athletes," said Gary Bruening, who has been head coach since 1986.

"It's ironic, with the University putting its focus on more of an academic school."

According to many, including Bruening, the focus of college athletics has turned to winning in the past few years.

"When I was hired, I was told the win-loss column wasn't important," said Bruening.

"What was important was creating a positive athletic educational experience. Welfare was important. But the school

'It's hard to see the kids who have full rides here who never compete, and then see three of the most scholarly programs being

> -Andrew Schaus Co-Captain

changed the ground rules, and didn't give us a chance to catch

Women's captain senior Allyson Schneider agrees.

"It's so frustrating. We've improved so much, and we're being cut."

The teams' record combined for ECAC meets is 3-3, with only a few meets left to go in the season. The men's hockey team's ECAC record, however, finished up at 3-18-1.

"It's so frustrating to see money just being dumped on some programs, such as basketball and hockey," said Schneider.

"Especially those teams with little or no improvement. We have had so much improvement, it is just very frustrating."

Both teams are non-scholarship. This year's operating budget for both teams combined is between 15,000 and 20,000 dol-

Men's co-captain junior Andrew Schaus sees frustration lying in the scholarship programs.

"It's hard to see the kids who have full rides here who never compete, and then see three of the most scholarly programs being

The school will also lose 14,000 dollars in funding from the NCAA.

With the program being non-



Jason Robinson/VC Staff A member of the Men's Gymnastics team does an iron cross with legs extended.

scholarship, tuition dollars will also be lost as some of the gymnasts may opt to transfer to schools with varsity programs.

"We have four athletes transferring that are from out of state," said Bruening. "That's 100,000 dollars lost each year in tuition, and almost half a million for four years." Losing alumni support is also a possibility.

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UVM basketball captain Trevor Gaines speaks of his career at

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The Cynic is giving away 20 ski tickets to its readers.

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Avoid Spring Break Downfalls

As spring break approaches, many students look forward to fun-filled, sun-baked vacations in tropical parts of the world.

These breaks can provide amazing opportunities for fun, relaxation and cultural expansion.

However, the U.S. State Department reports that high numbers of students get in trouble abroad during spring and summer breaks.

The truth is that Americans are not exempt from the laws of the countries they visit. Those who break the laws sometimes face severe penalties, including prison sentences and delayed trips home.

In addition, students often fail to realize that the residents of the areas they are visiting may not welcome the flood of wealthy, young Americans who arrive every April.

For these reasons, students are occasionally robbed, or worse.

Of course, spring break reveling doesn't always result in alcohol poisoning or jail time.

However, it does often cause students to make poor judgments or to just make fools of themselves in an unfamiliar environment.

To steer clear of these downfalls, students should make sure to familiarize themselves with the cultures and laws of the countries they are visiting.

Read up on your spring break vacation sight or try to learn some useful phrases if you visit a non-English speaking country.

And, to avoid acting like the typical obnoxious American, it might help to leave the resorts, and the bars for a while to learn about the real people living in the area.

This will not only improve your image but also enrich your experience and broaden your view of the world.

Do Academics Count in Athletics?

Why would the UVM Board of Trustees decide to cut three sports teams that are not scholarship-oriented and hold three of the six highest average GPAs for UVM sports teams?

Non-scholarship means more tuition money coming in, but perhaps not as much as ticket sales to sporting events, such as hockey games, deliver. One athlete's tuition for four years can add up almost to 100,000 dollars. This University has enough of a problem with retention rates; cutting athletic programs only adds to the problem.

Those students on the teams must choose between continuing their education at UVM or continuing their career as a collegiate athlete.

In the times where emphasis is placed on winning and popularity with collegiate sports, it is difficult to watch many sports programs being cut across the nation to continue larger ones.

The University of Massachusetts is cutting nine Olympic sports due to being two million dollars in debt, while holding on to the "professional" sports, including football, hockey and basketball.

These teams are filled players who are on full rides who never set foot on a court or break a sweat, yet receive endorsements from Nike, Adidas and Gatorade.

These athletes, on average, do not perform as well academically or even graduate as often as players for smaller Olympic

sports. This is shown by the performance of the UVM men's gymnastics team, which receives no money and no attention on a national spotlight.

They struggle all season, balancing engineering majors with attempting to be Division I athletes, and succeed.

These cuts will cause the school to lose more tuition dollars, along with the money from prospective students who now choose not to attend UVM. It is disappointing to see UVM place maximization of profit over the interests of top academic performing athletes.

It's sad to see money given priority over outstanding members of the student body. The men's gymnastics squad is the top varsity sports team in the nation for highest average GPA.

It appears hypocritical for the University to want to cut the top men's academic squad in the country for 2001, and at the same time to strive for the University to emphasize academic excellence.

Is there no reward for academic excellence among sports teams?

Cutting an academically excellent team seems like an undeserved punishment. Many student athletes currently on the three teams being cut next year may transfer to other schools.

This can only detract from the number of assets in the UVM community.

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Support Keith and Ashley

To the Editor:

This is in response to the editorial in the March 5 edition of the Cynic. I have two points to make in reference to Carrie Cole's article, and Keith Rosenthal's article.

Carrie Cole's: honey, its a joke. It was supposed to be a nice fluffy piece about winter, with a true statement on global warming. Just because Ashley chose to sound whimsical in her description does not mean it lacks any validity. The fact is, our environment is effected by our own actions and the changing weather proves that.

Keith Rosenthal: in reference to Jon Kantor's piece in the March 5 issue of The Cynic, as well as Keith Rosenthal's editorial response, I would like to state my encouragement for Keith to continue to promote recognition and equality through language. I find Jon's statement

very similar to my friend referring to dance clubs as "gay clubs and normal clubs." This language, although not openly homophobic, is excluding a community of people. Kantor does the same with his statements to the ISO.

In reference to his attendance of the ISO meeting and the upheaval it caused, I feel as if he had every right to attend the meeting and that the actions of the ISO were uncalled for. I can understand and relate to the aggression that Kantor's articles and constant bashing may cause, but if he truly wanted to attend for the sake of learning, then he should have been given that right.

My only comment to sum up everything is that I wish more non-socialists, such as myself, would respond to these articles.

> Shea Akers Class of 2004

ISO Strives to Protect Free Speech

To the Editor:

In regard to the events described in Jon Kantor's column, I would like to set forward the facts. As a Comrade in the ISO, I may be accused of being biased. However, I only wish to put forth the facts. The incident began when Jon Kantor decided to attend an ISO meeting in order to fulfill a class assignment.

He claimed that he would refrain from argument. However, it soon became apparent that this was far from true.

It can be seen that he has no intentions of trying to understand another viewpoint, but rather wishes to butt heads with his opponents.

Kantor has taken it upon himself to personally attack members. Does this sound like someone who wishes to gain insight into other political ideologies? The issue at hand here is really the need for free speech. Everyone in the ISO is committed to promoting and protecting free speech. However, ridicule and intimidation by those who wish to suppress this speech cannot be tolerated.

Kantor supports policies such as the Patriot Act, which clearly strips individuals of their freedoms of privacy and of expression. How could he accuse us of disregarding his rights?

We only strived to hold a meeting where everyone could feel comfortable speaking out, without fear that Jon Kantor would slander yet one more person.

It should be known that our doors are open to everyone that is interested in working to make a better world.

Dan Traum Class of 2005

Presidential Debates Lack Substance

To the Editor:

The recent Student Government Association Presidential debates lacked the substance needed in order to accurately represent each of the candidates. With opening statements that were only two minutes long, and only four questions per candidate, the debates lacked a purpose.

The audience, which was composed primarily of partisan Fraternity brothers, and Sorority sisters, was aimed more at asking undermining questions than at addressing the more important and substantive issues.

With the debate barely lasting four minutes, and limited to only a few questions, it was impossible for this debate to contain any purpose or reach any goal.

I would have remised had I not mentioned the poor job that the Student Government Association did in publicizing the debates. This is an example of the poor communication between the SGA and the students.

For the purpose of bringing our community together, I hope that whichever candidate wins the election, he will make it his first priority to fill the communication gaps which currently negatively impact the progress, and spread of ideas within our University.

Adam Dubin SGA Presidential Candidate Class of 2003

Anti-War Tour Comes to UVM

To the Editor:

On Wednesday, March 13, an amazing line-up of presenters will speak out against war and racism in the "War and Resistance: Another World is Possible" Tour, sponsored by the *International Socialist Review*.

Speakers include: Medea Benjamin, founder of Human Rights Organization, Global Exchange and Green Party Candidate; Colleen Kelly, member of September 11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrow, Kelly a woman whose relative

was killed in the World Trade Towers; Ahmed Shawki, the editor of the International Socialist Review; and David Bates from the Campaign to End the Death Penalty. As Historian Howard Zinn (who has spoken at other stops on the tour) said, the tour "is bringing together voices of opposition — and hope for a better future —around the country."

The final panel will begin at 7:00 p.m. in CC Theater in Billings Student Center.

Melissa Garrow Class of 2005

All Roads Lead To Washington



Brandon Johnson b e f o r e Cynic Columnist September 11.

April twentieth will mark a turning point for A merica. Seriously.

Let us take a look at the world be for e September 11. It was one of

gross economic inequality between the richest few in the world and the majority of the world.

It was a planet where the top billionaires made half the people of the earth slowly die on less than two dollars per day. Where economic inequality in the First World was growing year by year. A world where the environment was being destroyed.

These were the objective conditions which lead to a rise of protest across the US and Europe. Students and shop-stewards linked arms from Seattle to Quebec to Genoa, millions participation in the Global Justice Movement.

The world after September 11 looks worse. Not only is America in a recession, but we are engaged daily in an illegitimate

In Washington roads will collide as those who promote a world of war and poverty will be chanted down by those who say another world is possible.

war that has killed over three thousand innocent Afghans and more working class American soldiers by the hour.

Every bomb Bush builds is money he steals from Medicare, Medicaid, welfare assistance, and school funding. He steals to kill. His war is murder both for the civilians of other countries and for those of us back home. And all his roads lead to Iraq: to spending more money and killing more civilians so that Shell can set up its dream pipeline.

That's why all of our roads lead to Washington, D.C. The Global Justice Movement that was born in Seattle is back. The proof is last February in New York, where well over ten thousand individuals—many still reeling from the tragedy of the twin towers—took to the streets demanding that the city be rebuilt for people, not for profit.

Now, the same bosses that make up the World Economic

Forum (which met in NYC)—the same bosses who are earning millions in Bush's tax cut, and military deals for his endless war—are meeting in Washington.

But all our roads lead to Washington; the same Neo-Liberal policies that lead to the debt cycle are the same policies of deregulation and privatization that Bush and his cronies are forcing upon Americans by measures such as huge tax cuts for the rich and the shredding of any social safety net.

In Washington, roads will collide as those who say there is no alternative to a world of war and poverty will be chanted down by those who say another world is possible.

I will be in Washington. You should be too. Exciting stops before April 20 also approach. This Wednesday we will have an incredible panel of speakers in Billings (radical organizers, a man exonerated from racist death row, and an Anti-War activist who had a family member die in the 9/11 attacks). In late March, students will attend a major conference in New York, and also in early April, there will be statewide Anti-War rallies.

Having a Cow Suitable for Bovines



Ashley Lyons Cynic Columnist

back of my neck is burning. My ears are perking up. I feel a hole being bored into my skull, and whirl around to a swarm of eyes

quickly averting my gaze.

My first reaction might be that of paranoia, but realistically, one of a few things is occurring.

With so many potential UVMissaries visiting, there are a lot of people present who have never seen dreads before. Whether fascinated or disgusted, they are curious enough to see follicular snakes in real time such that they may temporarily discard some traditionally acceptable etiquette of discretion. Perhaps they have been contemplating dreads but have been so far restricted by their parents, and are counting down the days until college lets them practice coiffure carelessness.

Perchance they heard UVM was rife with negligent nellies such as myself and, slightly disturbed, seek the truth as to the abundance of rope-headed chillies bopping around. In short, should someone be looking at me because of my propensity to grow raw capital for the twine industry, so be it.

No problem yar. Now, the second most logical reason for someone to be slyly sneaking a gaze would be to figure out if in fact they do recognize me from the paper. They crane around to see if, indeed, I am the physical

I respect everyone's right to react, but not necessarily to do so in a way that publicly humiliates one without the humiliated ever being the wiser.

embodiment of such weekly wasted space in the paper that, like vomit, is rutha repulsive but somehow also magnetic.

If that is the case, well, I issue such folk a due and genuine apology. Assume illiteracy next time you open the paper. But, should the third and final category of stares be the truth, I may not be so forgiving.

You see, this third grouping includes individuals who read way too deeply into inane banter. If you should realize yourself to be one of these people, please remove yourself from your misled travels. Reform your tendency to overanalyze incorrectly. Identify when you are making too big a deal out of nonsense. You take yourself too seriously, and

search for hidden meaning that you can lambaste. Why? Are you that bored? I respect everyone's right to react, but not necessarily to do so in a way that publicly humiliates one without the humiliated ever being the wiser.

Yes, that's right. Airing one's violent response to a wholly souless body of rigmarole is the impetus for one's appearance as spastic. Go dedicate your pent up frustration to something worthy.

Out of all the things in The Cynic to which one could write a rebuttal, why choose mine cheese? There are so many legitimate columns and pieces of distinct merit, and yet some so choose to make lame assumptions, and complain about the one with no meat.

Ah, howsoever long may it take you, I leave you with hope: your mind may find refuge in some other realm of thought that doesn't reduce your evaluative skills to that of the theoretical partier you so damn.

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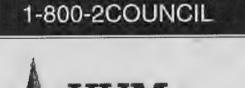
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Tim Allen SGA Presidential Candidate

I have shown, over the past two years on Student Government, particularly this year as Chair of the Student Action Committee, that I am able to make positive

Students need to be at the table when decisions are made about their school, and I can make sure that this happens as I have in

We can no longer be victims of a cycle of negative press, but rather, show the positive things that we as students already do.

As President, I will push for more respect of students' private living spaces.

UVM should be investing responsibility. We must honor our green reputation by exploring alternative sources of energy, thus cutting emissions.

We must understand the strength in diversity, and we must concentrate on student climate to make all people feel safe and welcome in their school.



Adam Dubin SGA Presidential Candidate

As President, I will work tobring the student government needs to the student body.

I will work through media sources, including television and radio, to create an informed student body, which is essential to the first steps in bringing our community together.

I will work towards improving diversity, which includes exploring ways of integration among students.

I will improve the advisor program, and continue developing academics. I will improve studentpolice relations and keep police out of the dorms.

I will work towards a direct bus service between Redstone and Main Campus, and improve the Greek system.

I will also work towards a tuition freeze.

Overall, I will work with all students to improve University.



Jon Badaracco SGA Presidential Candidate

Every student has four years to take advantage of all that UVM has to offer and four years to make things happen.

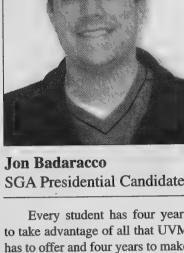
At UVM, there is a gap in communication that needs to be bridged between the University and the students.

There are over 7,000 students at UVM, each with a voice, each wanting to know what is going on at their University.

Utilizing the UVM media, UVM tv, WRUV and the Cynic, is a great way to inform both factions of everything that is going on at UVM.

The all-student email, which was created this year, is a great way to reach every student. But this still is not enough. We need to create an SGA newsletter.

Once the foundation for communication is set and utilized, it will be a driving force for creating a stronger community at UVM, increase student involvement, school spirit and more.



Eagleburger as ambassador to

"Oil and Politics in the Middle East" Panel to Feature UVM Scholars

Former Secretary of State to

Speak at University

Former Secretary of State in the

Lawrence S. Eagleburger will be

speaking at the Ira Allen Chapel

is free to the public. Currently,

Mr. Eagleburger is Chairman of

the International Commission on

Holocaust Era Insurance Claims. Some of his previous positions

Deputy

Secretary of Defense, Acting

Assistant Secretary of Defense for

International Security affairs, and

multiple assistant roles to Dr.

President Carter appointed Mr.

include

Henry Kissinger.

His speech, Foreign Policy in the Aftermath of September 11th,

on Tuesday, April 2 at 4 p.m.

Administration

Assistant

Bush

Today an "Oil and Politics in the Middle East" panel discussion will be held from 7-9 p.m. in CC Theatre by some prominent UVM scholars in this area.

Dr. Abbas Alnasrawi, John H. Converse Professor Economics, has been with the faculty at UVM since 1963. He was designated University Scholar in Social Sciences and Humanities for the 1992-93 academic year. He served as a consultant to OPEC, The OPEC Fund, UNESCO and UNDP. Dr. Alnasrawi will discuss oil and the economics of the Middle East.

Professor F. Gregory Gause is an Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science, and is the director of the University's Middle East Studies Program. He was previously on the staff of Columbia University and was Fellow for Arab and Islamic Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York (1993-94). Dr. Gause will discuss American foreign policy as it pertains to oil and Middle Eastern

Yugoslavia in 1977. In 1981, President Reagan nominated him

to be Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, and then

Under Secretary of State for

Political Affairs, the third ranking

Distinguished Federal Civilian

Service in 1976, the Department

of State Wilbur J. Carr Award in 1984 and the Distinguished

Service Award, the Department's

highest honor. In 1994, he

received an honorary knighthood

Elizabeth II. Mr. Eagleburger

moved on to private consulting in

from Her Majesty,

Career awards include the

Award

position in the Department.

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Professor Frederic "Deri" Meier is presently an adjunct professor in the School of Business Administration. Prior to his teaching at UVM, Professor Meier was involved in state government. He spent twenty-four years with Mobil Oil. Professor Meier will discuss the business implications of Western governments and oil in Middle Eastern politics.



Brvce James Vice-Presidential Candidate

If elected Vice President of SGA, I promise to incorporate all of the skills that I have obtained to the best of my ability on behalf of the students.

I see UVM as a community that, much like the work we live in, is in flux.

We can advocate for positive change through lobbying and strong representation.

I feel it is time that the student government and the Greek system being working hand in hand.

Also, through the support of local farmers, I hope to not only bolster local economy but also to improve food quality.

This should be a place where no student should feel threatened simply because of who they are.



Stephanie Bennett Vice-Presidential Candidate

There are many issues I will deal with as Vice President of

I will focus on students' rights as tenants, school spirit, tuition, parking and transportation.

One thing I truly believe in, though, is that I am just one person with ideas on how to better this University.

For me to be a successful Vice President, I promise to constantly communicate with the student body in order to hear students' ideas and what they would like to have changed on campus or in the community.

Subsequently, this University will become the place where we ALL want to be.



Shawna Wells Vice-Presidential Candidate

As a team of student advocates, it is our belief that we must create a link between the school, the community and the students to implement and create positive change.

The key is that student advocates work for the students. It is our duty to support and create programs in order to promote student involvement, and to reach those students who need to find their places at UVM.

We believe that UVM must concentrate on school spirit and pride in order for the University to achieve solidarity.

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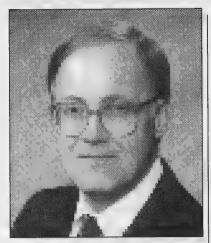


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Douglas Speaks Today

Gubernatorial candidate Jim Douglas will speak in John Dewey Lounge today at 6:30 p.m. He is the fourth in a series of politicians to visit campus to discuss environmental issues as part of ENVS-195, Politics and the Environment class.

UVM Television Expected to Recover Soon

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policy and no pornography. Clokey said that the department is not seeking censorship of the student programming, but only that the programming adhere to a set of guide-

Some students believe that while Ed's corner may have been offensive, taking it off the air was an overreaction.

"While Ed's Corner was obscene, what Residential Life should have done was asked them to tone down the programming," said freshman Jesse Bernstein, who has seen all three episodes of the

Director of UVM TV Nick Haggerty expressed discontent with the ambiguity of the guidelines, but confidence that student programming will soon resume. "Both Residential Life and I want to make this a viable station on campus and make it a further part of the UVM community," said Haggerty.

He hopes negotiations between Student Life, Residential Life, University Counsel and himself will establish appropriate guidelines that do not infringe upon freedom of expression.

UVM TV, formerly know as Channel 12, now occupies channels 2 and 13 and currently shows movies. Students interested in future programming on the station should send an email to UVMTV@zoo.uvm.edu.

Team Will Assume Club Status Next Year

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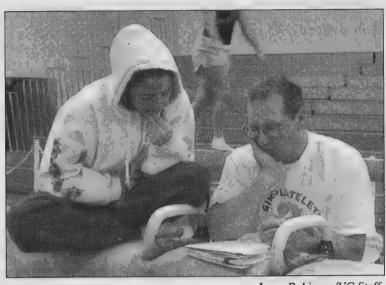
"After we lost the football team, alumni were mad," said Bruening. "Now, after 30 years, they are still irritated. After cutting these teams, they are doing the same thing. The school has shot themselves in the foot for this one."

Schaus is most disappointed about losing the ability for alumni to come back and see the procould fundraise first, and then cut. But they took the low road and cut first, and then told us we could fundraise.

"They didn't want to put the work and effort into fundraising for these teams. And unfortunately, the athletes have to bear the brunt of a decision made way above the athletic department."

The teams have faced the hardships of the year with a collective goal: to be successful.

"It's been amazing," said



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

Coach Gary Bruening discusses technique and strategy with a member of his squad. Though the team will only be considered a club next season, many members of the squad are sticking with Bruening for the coming year.

'It's an issue of value. People didn't value the gymnastics program. They value hockey, and that really hurts. There isn't an appreciation for Olympic sports.'

> -Gary Bruening Head Coach

"We had our alumni meet recently," said Schaus. "And to see all the alums come back with their families and show them what they did here at UVM, that is great. I will never have the opportunity to do that now, I can't show that to my family."

The real reason why the teams were cut, according to Bruening, lies not in winning, not in money, but in value.

"It's an issue of value. People didn't value the gymnastics program. They value hockey, and that really hurts. There isn't an appreciation for the Olympic sports. If money was the issue, the school should have taken the high road and told us that we

freshman Betsy Dominico. "We've really come together to make it a great season. Everyone is so supportive. When you land a vault, everyone comes and gives you a hug, even if you lost."

All agree that the teams have been supportive and cohesive all season. Schaus can attribute this to their out-of-gym time together.

"We have team study sessions, where we work together and help each other out. We also get together once a month, we've been cliff diving, had BBQs."

Bruening also sees the importance of outside contact.

"They are teammates and friends. When bad things happened, they rallied the troops and grew closer together. We have a strong, cohesive team, and that has helped tremendously with individual and team perform-

With the final season for the varsity program drawing to a

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> - Gary Bruening **Head Coach**

close, it will not be the end of gymnastics at UVM. The teams already have plans to become a top-ranked club team.

"It's a new way of thought," said Bruening.

"We have 14-15 returnees for next year, and I will be the advisor and coach for the club. We will have the chance to become one of the top three club teams in the nation."

In the end, even though gymnastics might only be a small piece of UVM, Bruening believes it is an important one. "It's like a jigsaw puzzle. You keep taking away small pieces, small pieces and eventually the picture changes. You keep ending small programs, and the University will change its picture."

For Bruening, this phase of gymnastics should be remembered as a positive and successful one. "It should be remembered as a sport that opens its doors to anyone willing to commit maximum academics and athleticism, and a program that cared about the emotional and social well-being of the athletes.

"Our gymnasts mature and progress as valued members of the community by graduation. This is model program, and I feel good about being a part of that. I am very proud, and it has been a privilege to coach these athletes."

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Photo Courtesy of www.Bend.com Katie Svitek, a member of UVM Class of 2001, was found dead in Oregon last Monday.

UVM Alum Dies in Snowboarding Accident

Kate Svitek, UVM class of 2001, was found dead on Monday, March 4, ending a three week search after a snowboarding accident in Oregon.

Svitek was an outdoor recreation major in the School of Natural Resources.

"All of us in the Recreation Management Faculty are deeply saddened by her death," Professor Walt Kuentzel told the Cynic.

"I had her in three of the classes I taught - a class in Park and Wilderness Management, a class in International Tourism and a travel study course to Costa Rica on Ecotourism and Sustainable Development.

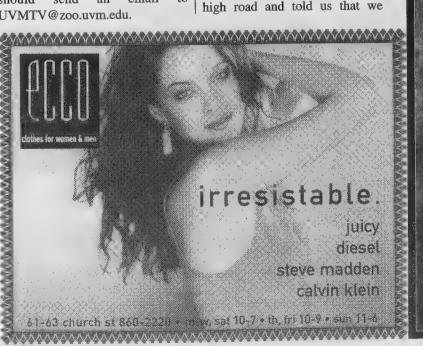
"It was clear from her work in those classes that she was passionate about the outdoors and cared deeply about environmental preservation.

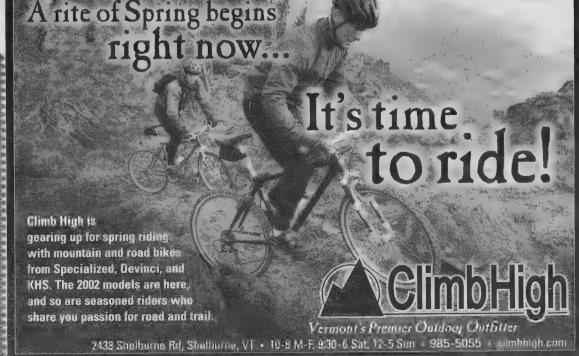
"After graduation, she had found a job closely related to her major and was pursuing her career goals doing something she loved. So we are all shocked by this untimely tragedy."

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Vermont Traffic Tickets Carry Hefty Fines

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violation notice [instead of a civil violation]."

Margolis claims that most of the citations and tickets issued by UVM Police for underage drinking are not given to individuals in the dorms.

Margolis said he believed most of the tickets have been issued to non-affiliates and individuals off-campus.

Usually, he said, these individuals are found intoxicated walking around the streets near campus.

A brief glance at UVM Police statistics for January and February of 2002 shows that a total of 63 civil violations or criminal citations were issued by UVM Police for underage drinking.

Thirty-six of those violations were issued to students in dorms. The other 29 were issued to individuals outside of dorms, on and off campus.

Prior to a change in the law, officers could only issue criminal citations for individuals caught drinking underage, Margolis said.

The change, which was not altogether recent, allows officers to issue either civil violations, which are traffic tickets, or criminal citations for underage drinking or for possession of alcohol.

The difference between a citation and violation is significant. Violations are generally given for first time offenses for underage drinking or possession of alcohol, and violations are not considered criminal offenses.

The violation becomes a crime after multiple offenses.

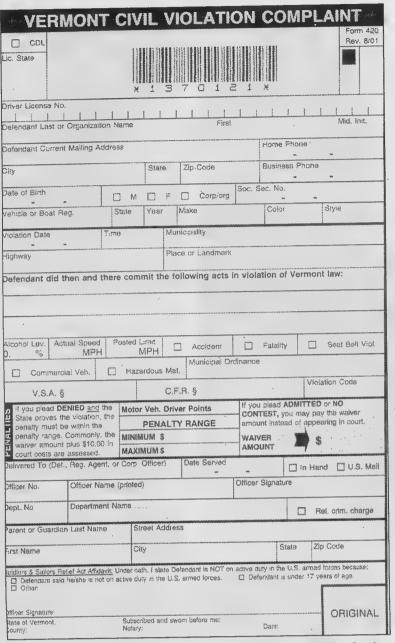
Officers also have the ability to issue a criminal citation for the first offense, requiring an individual to appear in criminal court, facing misdemeanor charges.

According to a caseworker at Court Chittenden County Diversion, individuals who have clean criminal records but who have been issued civil violations for underage drinking are usually sent to Court Diversion.

These individuals face a minimum fine of \$100, will be required to complete an alcohol education program, are required to undergo a drug assessment and must pay all fees associated with completion of the program.

If they complete the program, the violation, which can affect insurance costs, is removed from their records. A drug assessment is an interview with a certified drug counselor intended to determine if the individual needs drug counseling or drug screening.

Individuals are required to



Courtesy UVM Police Services

A photocopy of a Vermont traffic ticket which may be issued to students for consumption of alcohol as a minor or underage alcohol possession.

A total of 63 civil violations or criminal citations were issued by UVM Police for underage drinking in January and February of 2002.

undergo any recommendations given by the counselor as a result of the drug assessment - possibly including outpatient care - before they are released from the Court Diversion program.

If individuals fail to complete the program, they are sent back to court, ensuring that their driver's licenses will be revoked temporarily. For a second violation, issued when individuals get caught drinking underage, the penalties become more severe.

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Ask Dr. Love

Dear Dr. Love,

My girlfriend and I just got an apartment together, and while I was a little nervous at first, things are actually not that bad. Except for one thing: she always throws away my bathroom reading. She says that my magazines are dirty and degrading to women and that they needn't be in plain view for visitors. She also says that if she doesn't need to read in the bathroom then neither should I. Should I forgo my bathroom habits to avoid another fight, or should I stand tall because it's my place too?

-Bummed in the Bathroom

Dear Bummed in the Bathroom,

You are right in saying that it is your pad too, and you have a right to your lifestyle. As long as you are paying half of the rent, you should have a right to your bathroom reading. While dirty magazines should not be sprawled across the floor, she did go overboard in actually throwing something out that belongs to you and you need to tell her that that is not okay. Perhaps you can work out a system where you keep the mags under the sink or the bath mat??? Good luck with this one.

Dear Dr. Love,

I am fed up with all the women at UVM. I'm talking about everything: dating, "holier than thou" attitudes, acting as if all guys are out to hurt them, etc. What makes me especially angry is women, like Not Impressed, who write to the Cynic and complain about the "men at UVM." What have all the men at UVM done to them that gives them the right to dis us all? What, may I ask, did I do to you? If you're going to put your feelings into writing, don't be a hypocrite.

-Considerate in Converse

Dear Considerate in Converse,

I am sorry that you feel this way. The letter printed two weeks ago from *Not Impressed* was not intended for ALL men at UVM. Now I'm just guessing, but I doubt that all the women who have written to the Cynic have actually dated ALL of the men on this campus. I am also taking the chance that perhaps this is also the case for you.

I'm sorry if any of these letters have come across as broad generalizations. On the other hand, the fact remains that there are enough guys who treat girls this way to make women speak out in this manner. The letter was directed to male students who do show rude and aggressive behavior. Obviously, if you are as considerate as you say, then the letter was not addressed to you, and I'm sorry that you were offended. On a lighter note, I'm sure that there are a lot of nice women at UVM in addition to the ones with the "holier than thou" attitude. And now that you have voiced your opinion, perhaps women on campus will be more aware of their own actions. Good

The Rocky Horror Show Rolls Into Billings Student Center



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Members of the Rocky Horror Show rehearse for opening night on March 13.

By KATIE MONTICELLO

Prepare to experience Richard O'Brien's *The Rocky Horror Show*, complete with audience cheering and jeering, scantily clad actors and racy sensuality.

The only element missing in the show is the "picture" of the actual film.

Directed by Rebecca Sherman, the splice between the outrageous cult classic and the stage production will seduce you on March 13 and 14; two shows will be performed at 7 and 10 in the evening.

On March 15, a special preshow will occur around 7 p.m., and the production will begin promptly at 8 p.m.

Tickets will cost seven dollars for the general public and five dollars for UVM students. The eccentric show will take place in the North Lounge of UVM's Billings Student Center.

According to Sherman, *The Rocky Horror Show* has never encountered a Burlington stage, and the UVM theater has yet to perform a musical this year. What perfect timing for flamboyant singing, dancing and genderbending.

Typed male roles, the characters of Dr. Scott and Eddie, will be performed by a female, Robin Brown.

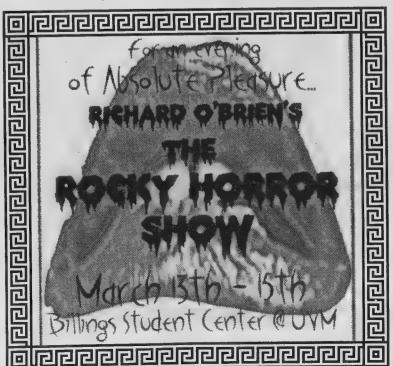
Of Brown's roles, Sherman says, "Cross-gender casting sets even fewer boundaries on how the show is done. It gives us a whole new territory to explore with the sexualities of the characters."

Danielle Miller, "Columbia," states that the show is centered around the "freedom of expression and will focus on the attributes of each character," while annihilating stereotypical gender roles.

Other roles expected to tantalize the audience are "Dr. Frankenfurter" and "Brad,"



Andy Duback/VC Staff
An actress strikes a pose at
rehearsal.



"Cross-gender casting sets even fewer boundaries on

how the show is done."
-Rebecca Sherman
Director

played by Chuck Wulster and Justin Quackenbush, respectively. Erin Fehr, "Janet," mentions that the collaborative efforts of such diverse individuals will yield a show that is "full of creativity and no limits."

Each character will dazzle the audience with his or her dancing and vocal talents.

Musical director, Nathan Venet, organized a four-piece live band, which will accompany the production.

The band is well versed in the classic popular culture tune "The Time Warp" and eagerly anticipate sing-alongs and audience participation.

The show incorporates some members of the Burlington community, but the majority of the cast and crew is comprised of UVM students.

Shows will be performed on March 13, 14, and 15. A special pre-show will be offered on the 15, at 7 p.m. followed by a performance at 8 p.m.

Those involved in the show consider themselves a subsidiary of The University Players, independent of the supervision of the University's theater department.

Sherman, the cast, and crew invite UVM students and the general public to join the "group gropes of a twisted family" and the show's enticing antics.

"It's the freedom to be a unique individual without being labeled," says Miller.

Indoor Climbers Form Distinct Group

By MARY KATE GUCCION

"Leisure" is a blanket term for any form of relaxation. UVM has gained another student club, one that promotes an active form of entertainment.

The UVM Indoor Climbing Club formed two weeks ago. The group of roughly thirty students staffs the indoor climbing wall at the Patrick Gym's fitness center and maintains the bouldering hallway underneath the basketball courts.

They also plan to organize and sponsor a college climbing competition in the Northeast, and to attend others.

There have been different climbing groups for years as part of the Outing Club.

However, recently, both the indoor and outdoor climbers have organized themselves, and the indoor climbers decided to form a group distinct from the Outing

Indoor climbing is not as risky as outdoor, taking place in a completely controlled environment.

Both employ safety precautions, but indoor climbing offers a more solid guarantee of personal safety.

"I think that it offers people a really good chance to try something that can be intense," says president Tom Smith.

Smith himself has been climbing in and out of doors for four years

The club is open to everyone. Some of the members have been climbing for years, but a lot of the people who go to the climbing wall are beginners.

Winter may be letting up, but we still have several weeks of mud and rain to look forward to.

Go release that energy at the indoor vertical climbing wall, and let the Indoor Climbing Club show you how it's done.



Back by Popular Demand...Weekly Horoscopes

Aries March 21-April 20

Slow down and chill out! Focus on relaxation techniques like yoga, progressive muscle relaxation, or going out for a solo hike in the mountains. Ditch your social circle for a few hours; you need to rely on yourself more this week. Go back to your roots, and act like a child when no one is looking. Finger paint, or make mud pies. Never forget that you can still be young and mature.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

You are such a stubborn romantic. Taurus, those qualities are an oxymoron, but they're you. Take a step back from such a dominant role with your partner or close friends. Close your eyes, and let someone catch you. A trust fall will remind you that being in control is not always healthy.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

Please yourself before you please your parents. Break away from the constraining role they've assigned to you. Annihilate your inhibitions, and partake in an event that is impulsive. It will be invigorating and enriching. Freedom will peek out, looking for you. Once you can recognize your individuality, you will be an even better juggler of tasks. You epitomize balance, so take a few risks.

Cancer June 22 - July 22

People have been frustrated by your ego this week. Remember that you need to be a talker and a listener. Small acts of kindness are cherished by your friends and will be reciprocated. Your organizational skills will pay off. Just slip on an emotional helmet, and a bombardment of issues will be resolved with few inner bruises.

Leo July 23 - Aug. 23

What a sweetie you are! Your selfless actions will be remembered by others, and they will impress even the grimmest of characters. Your kind, nurturing ways can get a person to divulge their most painful secrets. You are strong and sensitive at the same time. Not only do you help others deal with their stress, you conquer your own.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 22

The perfectionism you unceasingly exhibit may lead to ulcers. The standards you have for your art and your work are nearly impossible to meet. Allow yourself to admit errors; then, force yourself to accept them. Once you truly appreciate your brilliance, you will be more fulfilled. Anything you produce will be good enough for yourself and others. When performing an act of creativity, a mistake will become the key to its magnificence.

Libra Sept. 23 – Oct. 22

Talk is good for only so much. Go out and put your words into action. Volunteer at a local youth program or elderly facility. If that sounds too intense for you, join a club that embodies your goals for society. Remember to start small. Don't drive yourself crazy with global issues, especially when you can't think of the last time you talked to your family. First, connect with the ones you love.

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Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Have you been a grouch lately? If you find yourself mumbling profanities under your breath, you should consider an attitude make-over. You have already proved to yourself that you work well under pressure, but it may not make you the luminous person you can be. Even if you want to throw a punch instead of attempt a smile, just grin. Savor your days!

Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Pick yourself up, my love! Life is not as tough as it seems. Try not to dwell on conflicts with friends. Staying positive is the only cure for you. Socialize instead of hibernating. An engaging conversation with an older woman is bound to satisfy your inner passion for being amused by strangers. Listen to the stories of others; they will make you tell your own.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan.20

Sleep is crucial to the way you function and think. Organize your time, and you will be able to snooze longer. If you work during the day and play at night, you will achieve

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Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You need space to roam this week, without any attachments to people or intangible pressures. But you will have to face your life eventually. You can snowboard away from problems with the one you love, but they will not be resolved without confrontation. It will be brutal but well worth it in the end.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

Celebrate this glorious month of Pisces' birthdays! You will drink like a fish. Take extra water to rejuvenate your exercise energy, and remember that it will ease your hangovers. This will be a prime week of play dates. Cooking together will be the setting of your friendship bonding sessions. The topic of your favorite veggie being broccoli, while your friends like carrots, will catapult itself into existential babbling. Write down these conversations later. They may be useful to you in the future.

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Catamount Sports



Tournament Selection Needs Work



Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

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" S o your saying there's chance?" Not only is this a classic quote from Dumb and Dumber, but also the NCAA's

favorite saying come March. By the time you read this, Selection Sunday will have come and gone and for many teams, their chances went from being one-in-a- million, to zero.

You know every year you will see names like Kansas, Kentucky and UCLA punching their one-way ticket on to every bracket across the country. But what about those teams that pull off the big upsets, like Valparaiso, Butler, Kent and Hampton?

These teams must win their conference and get an automatic bid. At-large berths for midmajors such as these are about as hard to come by as getting Dick Vitale to be silent for five minutes straight.

What happens if a mid-major school has a great year, but fails to win their conference championships?

Butler is a good example of this, after going 25-4 in the regular season before bowing out in the first round of their conference championship to Wisconsin Green-Bay (9-21).

The system that is in place now takes the regular season, and

(Teams) could be left having to settle for the consolation prize of spring break instead of March Madness.

throws it out the window. In the day and age of conference championships, and teams receiving an automatic bid by winning them, it is possible that teams with losing records could be representing their conference entering the tournament. Now I ask, are conference tournaments even worthwhile? Yes, they give every team, even the worst teams in the country, a chance, but more harm may come out of them then good.

Teams like Butler, Southern Illinois and even our very own Catamounts, rolled through the regular season posting great records, including the most in their respective leagues. Yet, all three could be left having to settle for the consolation prize of spring break instead of March Madness.

Not only are the smaller schools effected by conference championships, but also are those in the top 25 who are preparing for post season play.

To win most conference championships you must win at least three if not four straight to be crowned conference champ.

To some teams this could be a springboard into the tourney. To others it could take an unneeded toll, and cause for an early exit. There is no one right answer, but is the system that is in place right now the best way to represent those that are most deserving in college hoops? I think not.

Gaines Wraps Up Standout Basketball Career at UVM



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Vermont Mens Basketball Captain Trevor Gaines palms two basketballs on the court in between Harris/Millis and Marsh/Austin/Tupper dormitories.

Senior Captain Eyes Pro Ranks

By SCOTT WOODRUFF

At six feet, seven inches, 215 pounds, men's basketball center Trevor Gaines is an intimidating person on the court: Grabbing rebounds out of the air, swatting away sure lay-ups at the last sec-

That is where the intimidation ends. Off the court he is a quiet, soft-spoken Community Development and Applied Economics major with a love for poetry, Jay-Z Unplugged, and turkey bacon subs (with extra

Gaines, a UVM senior, led the Catamounts in rebounds, and was a unanimous first-team, all-America East selection while leading his team to a regular season America East conference title.

'This year we did a lot for the program as a whole. Last year we were 12-17 and we weren't taken seriously enough," said Gaines. "Now we've made a name for ourselves which has really boosted our confidence."

Every year Gaines' confidence has grown which has brought his game to where he is today. Much of his confidence was born from his leadership role which was highly effective on the 21-8 team this year.

Leadership was something that he took very seriously as a second year captain, and he knew he had to step up to the challenge.

"I knew that I had a lot of people looking up to me and relying on me to do my best," he said of his final year as a Catamount.

"The fact that you have that leadership role really brings you to a higher level as a player. I try to lead by example and help the team bring our game to a higher level."

A native of Farminton Hills, Michigan, Gaines grew up idolizing the Michigan Fab 5 of the early 90's.

Trevor has done his best Chris Webber impression here at Vermont, averaging a doubledouble in points and rebounds this season. During his senior year at Farminton Hills High School he led his team to a district championship while becoming the school's all-time leader in blocks, and rebounds.

On Jan. 26, it was one big homecoming for Gaines when the team traveled to the Crisler Arena



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Gaines shows his moves on the court in between Harris/Millis and Marsh/Austin/Tupper dormitories.

in Michigan to take on the Wolverines in front of 11,243

"Being able to play against Michigan was an absolute dream come true. It is a feeling like no other to grow up and watch every game and then go out and be able to play on the same floor. Having all my friends and family there too was really special. It was definitely a feeling like no other."

According to Gaines, playing Michigan was not as intimidating as one would have thought.

The team had an idea that every game was a possibility for a win; no matter the opponent. This "we can beat anybody" attitude allowed the team to win 13 conference games to go with their regular season title.

As sad as UVM will be to lose this asset to the team, everyone will be keeping a close eye on Gaines in hopes of more success

He hopes to continue on with playing basketball whether it be in the NBA, overseas, or in the newly formed NBA developmental league.

"I am confident I have the ability to keep on playing after college. I am just looking for the best opportunity and I will see where that takes me."

Scott Woodruff is the Cynic sports editor and may be reached at vcsports@zoo.uvm.edu

Men's Lacrosse Tallies First Win of Season

MEN'S LACROSSE

The University of Vermont men's lacrosse team scored three goals each in the second and third periods and went on to defeat Lafayette, 6-4, for its first win of the 2002 season Saturday.

Vermont spotted the Lafayette a 1-0 lead before scoring three in the second quarter to take a 3-1 lead at the half.

The Catamounts (1-1) then outscored Lafayette, 3-1, in the third quarter and held on for the 6-

Sophomore Mark Prior scored two goals for the Catamounts, as did RJ Harrison.

Junior Doug Moses added a goal and an assist while Ryan Herchenroether recorded an assist and JP Harrison had his first goal of

Mike Gabel made 14 saves for

Vermont plays at UMass Amherst Wednesday afternoon.



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Three Vermont Students to Ride for AIDS This Summer

Three UVM students are planning a once-in-a-lifetime summer vacation, and they need some help.

The three students - Aimee Falcon, Claire Haslam and Tessa Lorenze - will participate in The AIDS Vaccine Ride, a 575-mile, seven-day bike trip from Amsterdam to Paris from June 29 to July 6, 2002.

The event, organized by Pallotta TeamWorks, will promote fitness and help secure funds for research to find a vaccine for the AIDS virus. Each of the riders has to raise at least \$5,000 to participate in the ride. The students have started their fund-raising efforts, by securing corporate sponsors, and seeking donations from individuals and groups.

"I found out about the AIDS Vaccine Ride through friends and was immediately interested," said Falcon. "I have been involved in athletics and community service for most of my life, and this was a perfect combination of the two. If through some physical effort on my part, a contribution can be made to the fight against AIDS, then I would ride 1,000 miles to help." Haslam couldn't come up with a reason not to go on the ride.

"This is an amazing project,

bringing people together in an attempt to eliminate this global problem, and challenging the riders physically as well," said Haslam.

"As an Athletic Medicine major at UVM, I have learned not only about health care, but also about the importance of exercise and setting personal goals. People need this kind of challenge, and we need to feel our actions can do something worthwhile for others. This ride does both."

Lorenze is equally passionate about the ride. "Without a vaccine, 75 million people will die of AIDS in the next 20 years," she said. "That is approximately 7,000 people a day. We can all live in a world free from AIDS, but only if we take the initiative to help. I am willing to bike the distance if you are willing to put up the money."

Donate to the riders by logging on to the following website: http://www.bethepeople.com and clicking on the European AIDS Vaccine Ride. Haslam's participant # is 9224; Lorenze's is 2227, and Falcon's is 9225. Further information may also be obtained contacting Haslam and Lorenze at 802-658-9496.

-Sports Info.

Lady Cats Fall Short in Semi-finals

The UVM Women's basketball season came to a close on Saturday night at the hands of the Hartford Hawks by a score of 60-

It was a close game for all 40 minutes until Hartford Senior Kenitra Johnson's lay-up with 18 seconds left lifted the fifth-seeded University of Hartford past number one Vermont in the semifinals of the America East tournament in Hartford, Connecticut.

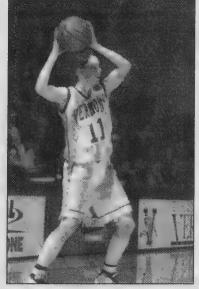
The game saw 10 lead changes. Seven were in the final stanza, and the biggest lead was just eight points, held by Hartford in the second half.

In the first half, Vermont held a five point lead, 17-12, at the 9:03 mark. The Hawks battled back, and took a four point lead of their own, 27-23, with 2:12 left before half-time.

Vermont cut the margin to one twice in the last two minutes, but the Hawks took a 31-30 advantage into the locker room.

In the second half, with the score tied at 35, the Hawks sank a pair of free-throws which sparked a 6-2 spurt, giving Hartford a 43-47 lead with 12:30 left in the game. Hartford would extend its lead to eight on a pair of free throws by Johnson with 9:25 left.

The Catamounts answered with a 7-1 run of its own to cut the lead to two, 48-46 with 7:43 left in the game and a lay-up by sophomore Aaron Yantzi knotted the game up, 50-50 with 5:43 remaining. UVM would take the lead, 52-



University Photography Libby Smith finished the game with nine points and nine rebounds.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

50, on another Yantzi lay-up, but the Hawks would not bend.

Hartford's Dorcas Miller converted a three-point play with 2:12 left to tie the game up, 56-56. Yantzi made one of two free-throws to pull Vermont ahead, 57-56 with 2:04 left, but a lay-up by Lopp put Hartford back in front 58-57 with 1:54 left.

Yantzi was UVM's answer again, converting a lay-up with 43 seconds left, to give the advantage once again to Vermont, 59-58.

Johnson missed a lay-up with 28 seconds left, and senior Libby Smith grabbed the rebound.

Then Johnson tied up the ball, and Hartford gained possession on

the alternating possession. Hartford got the ball to Johnson on the ensuing in-bounds play for the game winner.

Yantzi finished with a gamehigh 18 points, and eight rebounds to lead Vermont. Junior Morgan Hall added 11 points. Freshman Katie McNamara added 10 points, and six rebounds. Smith just missed out on her fourth consecutive double-double with nine points, and a game-high nine rebounds.

Vermont falls to 21-8 on the season. Coach Keith Cieplicki recently was awarded the America East Coach of the Year for the second time in three years.

He also won the award in 2000. Cieplicki led the Catamounts to their third regular season title in his five-year tenure at UVM.

Guard Libby Smith was also honored with first team all-conference after leading the team in rebounds (5.9rpg).

Aaron Yantzi and Morgan Hall were all-conference second team selections. Yantzi led the league in field goal percentage (57%), while Hall was second on the team in scoring with 12.3 points per game.

Hall was the third quickest player to reach the 1,000 point mark in her career during her junior season.

Freshman Katie Smith also became Vermont's fourth straight member of the America East All-Rookie team.

-Sports Info.

UVM Pounded by Maryland, 23-6

Maryland scored early and often to cruise to a 23-6 win over Vermont in the Catamounts collegiate baseball season opener at Shipley Field on Friday afternoon.

The Atlantic Coast Conference Terrapins (11-2) jumped out to a 22-0 lead by tallying nine runs in the first, four in the second, and another nine in the third inning. Maryland's Andrew Buffone had six RBI in the uprising on a three-run homer in the first, and a three-run double in the third.

The Terps pounded out 22 hits and 15 of the runs were earned in UVM's first outside action of the season. Maryland

MEN'S BASEBALL

starter Jared Stuart pitched five innings of two-hit ball to pick up his second win of the season. Cats' lefty Brian Robinson lasted just two-thirds of an inning in suffering the loss.

Vermont bounced back in the last four frames with 10 hits to score all six of their runs. Essex Junction junior Jeff Barry (two-for-five) hit his first career homer while Jeff Tarigo went three-for-five. Three Catamount freshmen, Colchester's Jason Carey (one-for-four), Bobby Tewksbary (two-for-five), and Steve Mapes (1-1) all hit safely in their first collegiate game.

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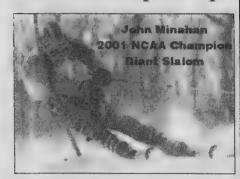
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Skiers Finish Fifth at NCAA Championships



University Photo John Minahan is Ski Racing Magazine's, top male collegiate skier in the nation.

The University of Vermont ski team finished in fifth place at the 2002 NCAA Ski Championships as Denver won its third straight national title in impressive fashion Saturday.

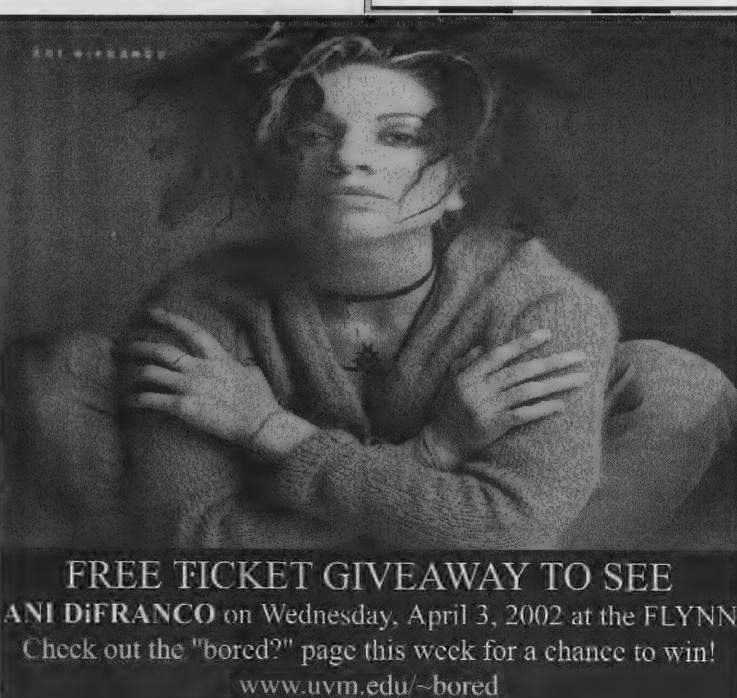
In the men's 20-kilometer freestyle race, Torgeir Lien had a great race and finished third to make first-team All-American. Lien finished in 52:06.8, less than 40 seconds behind champion Ola Berger of Denver.

Ethan Foster was eighth in 52:19.5, earning second-team All-American, while Audun Foss Knudsen finished 16th (53:53.1).

For the Catamount women, Ilke Van Genechten finished 14th to lead the way in the 15-K freestyle. Van Genechten was timed in 46:49.4. Claudia Reithofer placed 27th (48:06.09) while

Emily Klemp was 29th (48:08.0).

Denver cruised to the team title, finishing with 656 points. Colorado rallied to finish second (612) while Utah was third (609.5), New Mexico fourth (569.0) and Vermont fifth (521.5).



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Calendar of Events, March 12 - 16

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9 a.m. to 3 p.m. SEMINAR: Livestock Health Seminar, speakers are Dan Leiterman and Paul Dettloff, D.V.M., workshop will focus on the natural treatment and prevention of common dairy cow and calf ailments with direct application to other livestock. lunch served. \$15 registration fee collected at workshop. Information: Lisa McCrory, 802-728-4416.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. TALK: "Body Image Dinner Discussion," Join us for a healthy dinner and an informal discussion on body image with Candace Polzella. Women's Center. Information: Stephanie Morgan, 656-4637, mailto:stephanie.morgan@uvm.edu

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. COMMUNITY MEDICAL SCHOOL: "Colon Cancer: Screening, Early Detection and Genetics," Dr. Neil Hyman, Surgery, and Dr. Marc Greenblatt, Medicine. Carpenter Auditorium, Given Building. Information and registration: 847-2886 or visit http://www.med.uvm.edu/do_all_links.asp?SiteAreaID=279.

6:30 p.m. LECTURE: Senate President Peter Shumlin, part of Environmental Lecture Series. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill. All lectures open to the public. Information: Katie Birge, kbirge@zoo.uvm.edu, 656-6736.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. TALK: "Environmental Law and the Public Trust Doctrine." John Hasen, Esq., Chief Counsel, State Environmental Board. L/L Ecology and Geology of Lake Champlain Seminar Series. Room A-101, Living/Learning Center. Information: 656-0244, mailto:jdrake@zoo.uvm.edu.

13 Wednesday

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. LECTURE: "HIV and AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa," Glen Elder, Geography. Part of Area and International Studies Program "Brown Bag" Lecture Series. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill. For ADA accommodation: Sue Pochop, 656-3166. Information: 656-1096.

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. CONCERT: Oliver Lake, Jazz saxophonist and dramatist performing his solo theatre piece: "Matador of 1st and 1st." 4 p.m. March 13. Music Recital Hall Redstone Campus. For further information please call 656-3056

5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. TALK: "The Good News Garage: Providing affordable, reliable transportation options to people in need." Richard Schramm, L/L Building Healthy and Sustainable Communities Program. Learn about this innovative program that improves lives and inspires hope. Room B-102, Living/Learning Center. Information: 656-0292, mailto:Richard.Schramm@uvm.edu

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. TALK: "War and Resistance: Another World is Possible," International Socialist Review National Anti-War Tour. Campus Center Theater, Billings Student Center. Information: Keith Rosenthal, mailto:krosenth@zoo.uvm.edu, http://www.isreview.org/tour/tour.shtml.

14 Thursday

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. SEMINAR: "Control of Vascular Smooth Muscle Function by PYK2." Dr. Pamela Lucchesi, Assistant Professor, Department of Physiology and Biophysics, University of Alabama, B-303 Given; Upcoming Pharmacology seminars may be viewed at http://pharmweb.med.uvm.edu/seminar/2001/jan2002_july2002.htm 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. FILM: "The Way Home," features seven groups of women as they discuss their lives through the lens of race. Part of the social justice and multi-cultural issues film series. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill. Food provided. Please RSVP. Information: Willie Cruz, 656-7990, mailto:learning@ccd.uvm.edu

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. FILM: "Mi Familia." A powerful three-generation epic saga of the Sanchez family as told by the eldest son. From the very beginning to his father's adventurous journey from Mexico to California in the 1920's, to the stark realities of modern day, the struggle to live the American dream is sometimes darkened, but never diminished. Director: Francis Ford Copola, 1995, 121 min.. English. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 802-656-3196, mailto:romlang@zoo.uvm.edu, or visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. FORUM: "U.S. Foreign Policy: What Will Change? What Will Not?" Olin Robison, President, Salzburg Seminar. Location: Memorial Lounge, Waterman Building. Contact: History Department, 656-3180, mailto:jheines@cs.com 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. COFFEEHOUSE: Rhythm & Brews Coffeehouse, Open Mic. Fireplace Lounge, Living/Learning Center Commons Building. Information: 656-4200, mailto:segreenl@zoo.uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/~llcenter.



Courtesy of Flynn Center Ken Leslie opens at the Flynn Center Friday March, 15 at 11:00 a.m. through May 4.

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11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. GALLERY: "Space + Time", paintings by Ken Leslie March 15 - May 4. After staring at more than 500 years of the history of painting on rectangles, several years ago artist Ken Leslie escaped to painting circles. Amy E. Tarrant Gallery, Flynn Center.

Noon to 1 p.m. SEMINAR: "Role of Neuregulin/erbB signaling in control of cardiac myocyte growth, survival, and myofilament stability," Dr. Brian Sawyer, Boston University. Room 400 Health Science Research Facility (HSRF). Information 656-2540.

8:00 p.m. PERFORMANCE: John Hiatt, solo acoustic. An inventive performer and poignant songwriter, Hiatt's songs have been recorded by a wide variety of pop, folk, rock, and blues artists. Hiatt's performance will be solo acoustic featuring music from his latest album The Tiki Bar Is Open. Flynn Center at MainStage

16 Saturday

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. SEMINAR: Farming, Nutrition and Traditional Diets food sampling and nutrition seminar led by Doug Flack, donation of \$25 is suggested to help cover cost, pre-registration is required. Information: Sarah Flack, 802-933-6965, sarahflackfarm@hotmail.com.

8:00 p.m. CONCERT: Masterworks Series Concert 4, Presented by Vermont Symphony Orchestra. Flynn MainStage.

Do you have an event you would like publicized? Contact the Vermont Cynic at cynic@zoo.uvm.edu with dates, time, contacts and a short summary of the event.

Enjoy Spring Break!!!



SGA Distributes \$740,000



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Members of the finance committee Andy Rosenstock, Tamara Such and Lee Reynolds attend a committee meeting.

Student Government Takes Largest Chunk

By DAMON LUCIANO

The Finance Committee of the Student Government Association completed the first phase of the budget allocation process, distributing \$740,000 in Student Activity Fees to over 90 recognized student groups seeking funding.

SGA received \$200,002.71, out of its request for \$249,735, the largest sum of money given to any group.

The Student Government Association budget contains \$111,306 for SGA stipends, which includes the Secretary and Financial Assistant.

SGA President Bill Tickner said the President, Vice President, and Treasurer each receive a \$170 a week stipend.

SGA Committee Chairs also receive stipends of \$50 per week.

"I think it's needed because the President and Vice President have a huge commitment to the student body," said Tickner, of the stipends.

According to SGA Treasurer Jon Badaracco, \$70,000 of the SGA budget is reserved for capital improvements, gasoline, supplemental funding and providing food for multicultural events.

UVM Rescue received the next largest chunk of funding allotted to any student group, \$47,859.49.

Volunteers In Action received \$42,271.99, the third largest allocation.

According to Finance Committee Chair Tamara Such, the process used by SGA to distribute \$740,000 is similar to the process at other universities.

Such said it's not a problem

Top Five Allocations

1.SGA - \$200,002.71 2.UVM Rescue - \$47,859.49 3.V.I.A. - \$42,271.99 4.S.A. Concerts - \$36,497.38 5.Crew Club - \$31,074.86

for students to distribute such a large amount of money.

"I know for a fact that a lot of universities have a lot more money to work with, and they also have larger schools," said

"Basically, where we stand, it's not a bad number to work with, but we do have a lot of clubs."

The Finance Committee meets with each club that files a request for over \$10,000, and meets with financial liaisons from clubs requesting less than that amount

Each organization meets with the Finance Committee for 20 to 30 minutes to justify their funding requests.

After reviewing each budget with club members present the Committee meets alone and discusses and approves each group's adjusted budget.

Requests for funds made by student organizations must follow certain budgeting rules.

Among those rules is that student groups should not pay stipends or salaries to their members out of revenues that come from the SGA pool, according to Such.

SGA rules do not permit budgeting for gasoline expenses.

They also will only pay for two airline tickets each academic year per club, limit funding for 'We are just not capable of funding everything.'

-Tamara Such Finance Committee Chair

hotel rooms, van rentals and entrance fees to places like museums.

"We are just not capable of funding everything," Such said.

Each club that didn't fundraise \$75 or more during this academic year faced a 10 percent cut off the top of the approved budgets.

Asked if he thought that students should be dividing up a sum as large as \$740,000 Vice President of the UVM Roller Hockey Club Austin Maddox said, "Yeah, I do, because the money goes to student clubs that anybody and everybody can get involved in."

Student groups that want to appeal their funding allocation can go in front of the Finance and Executive Committees for review, and can appeal to the SGA Senate.

"There are over 95 clubs. To get 20 percent of them to appeal is not that bad," said Badaracco.

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Professor Accuses Political Science Department of Training Nazis

By DAMON LUCIANO

Professor Kari Winter of the UVM English Department accused the Political Science Department of "training Nazis," while exiting the elevator in the Old Mill building early this month.

Winter said, "I wish your department would stop training Nazis," after a discussion about the size of the U.S. defense budget with sophomore Jason Dunnivant and Political Science Professor Anthony Gierzynski.

Dunnivant, an outspoken proponent of strong national defense, criticized former Presidential candidate Ralph Nader's proposal to cut the military budget in half.

Winter, who could not be reached for comment, defended her remark in an open letter to Gierzynski dated March 6.

In the letter she accused both Dunnivant and Gierzynski of being close-minded.

She wrote "what concerns me is that neither the student nor you seemed able to comprehend an opposing view as a serious political position.

"When I said I wish your department would stop training

Nazis, I was suggesting...the style and substance of the student's remarks were fascistic and perhaps your department is not enabling students to understand the diversity of positions that ought to be available to them."

When asked to comment on a range of issues Dunnivant said, "I cannot comment further because I have promised to let Dean's office handle this situation in a discrete and professional manner."

Gierzynski, who declined to address the incident directly said "The campus is really politicized, and it's obvious that people feel pretty intensely about their political views right now. Maybe this will give us an opportunity to improve the political discourse so that it is open, tolerant and informed."

Immediately after Winter made the remark, Dunnivant asked to see her supervisor.

Dunnivant and Winter met in the office of English Department Chair Robyn Warhol immediately.

Warhol said that during the meeting she could tell that Dunnivant was genuinely "shocked" at Winter's remark.

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Photo Courtesy Jane Graik

UVM Student Employee of the Year Nicole Delance pictured with supervisor Janet Schwarz.

Delance Named Student Employee of the Year

UVM senior Nicole Delance was named Student Employee of the Year by the University recently for her work in the UVM College of Medicine Microscopy Imaging Center as a Laboratory Technician.

Her nomination for National Student Employee of the Year will be forwarded to the Northeast Association of Employment Administrators where she will compete with 13 other state winners.

"Her contributions to this department have been enormous,"

said supervisor Janet Schwarz. "As her expertise increased, we began depending on her to execute tasks that would normally be undertaken by professional laboratory staff."

Delance was responsible for creating * hazardous chemical waste storage compartments in their new labs. She was also involved in Project MICRO, an outreach program that takes a hands- on microscopic festival to hundreds of middle school

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Faculty Needs to Act Professionally

Earlier this month, Professor Kari Winter of the English Department at UVM accused the Political Science Department of "training nazis." She was reacting to a conversation in an elevator about the size of the defense budget.

There is no justifiable reason for a professor to characterize a student a Nazi, let alone to do it right in front of his face.

Plenty of Political Science classes teach about the evils of National Socialism and fascism, and about the necessity to fight them in World War II, the Cold War, and

Such courses may even remind students of the historical imperative of expending life and limb to combat these evils.

Perhaps this offends Prof. Winter. After all, it was she who wrote, "Any lucid person will readily identify all of these features (of fascism) in the dominant political discourse of the United States in the 21st Century."

Still, even if offended, accusations which assail the integrity of an academic department - in fact, statements which are also clearly designed to assail its students -

should not be passed off as academic debate.

Suggesting that the Political Science Department trains Nazis is absurd and naive.

It is disgraceful and embarrassing and does nothing but further jeopardize the reputation of UVM and the integrity of academics here.

This incident comes right on the heels of another act unbecoming of academia: two English Professors cancelled an ISO meeting (an organization sponsored by the SGA) when a student showed up to observe.

Prof. Welch made a clear attempt to stifle dissent there.

Warhol, English Robyn Department chair, rightly noted that Winter's remark raises questions about free speech. Prof. Welch's behavior also raises questions about freedom of association.

It would be altogether wrong to allow Winter's remark to be thought of as a matter of academic freedom alone or to let the actions of the ISO pass without repercus-

As the hangovers and sunburns wear off

Don't Fall Victim to After-Break Traps

from Spring Break, the student body returns facing the grim reality of having six more weeks of work.

With no long weekends in sight, many start to stress and worry about papers, tests, and finals looming ahead.

The key to surviving the next few weeks without tearing hair out or snapping at everyone, is to plan ahead.

Syllabi are handed out the first day of classes, so everyone knows when the

Being cooped up in the library or dorms slaving away at papers is not the most

It will pay off, though, when you're fast asleep and your roommate is still up, stressed and no where near finished.

Not doing well in Biology? Another key is to get help, and to get help soon.

Don't wait until the night before the exam to ask someone for a study date, or to email the professor with questions.

Cleanse oneself of all distracting factors. Instant Messenger, Snood, and all other things that albeit entertain, but only add to the procrastination of all.

It might hurt to let go at first, but it'll be worth it in the long run.

Avoid mid-week partying. It's called a weekend for a reason.

While it sounds like fun to let the religion and Chinese homework sit on the desk, it's not fun when stumbling to class unprepared or not going at all is what happens as a result.

To extend on the last point, go to class. It's simple, it's easy, and it makes doing work manageable.

Yes, the bed feels more comfortable and going biking sounds more exciting, but it won't be worth it if you end up failing that

Going to class will also be a benefit when you want to ask help from a professor, and not fall behind with work.

The biggest key to success in the coming weeks is being responsible.

From attendance to working hard to staying on task, it is an easy way to guarantee your final weeks at school will be less stressful.

Don't end the year burned out. Spring is a season for new beginnings, so let it be the beginning of a new, stress-free you.

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No Defense for Gymnastics Cuts

To the Editor:

I refer to your issue of March 12. Any suggestion that termination of the five athletic programs will enhance the academic focus of UVM is preposterous, and worse, an insult to the 60 or so athletes whose college experiences have been shattered by the action.

Fifty thousand dollars per year is saved by eliminating the five sports. There were no athletic scholarships. As your article documents, they had some of the highest GPA's of all the teams (half the volleyball team had GPA's over 3.5). It was a horrible bargain.

Simply stated, the cuts were in response to fiscal pressures. The athletic department could trim its budget slightly yet announce that five teams were elimi-

nated. End of story. Justification provided by their press releases stated that the cuts were made in order to focus assets on more prominent teams. Not once was concern for improved academics cited.

Many of the 60 students affected are leaving UVM. Sadly, the \$50,000 will do little if anything to improve the 22 remaining teams.

No one should ever attempt to dignify the cuts as anything other than an ill conceived politically motivated fiscal exer-

As is the case with many such actions, it has ruined the college experience of so many valuable members of your commu-

> John Koopmann **UVM** Parent

420 Fiasco Humiliates University

To the Editor:

As warm weather creeps around the corner so does the University of Vermont's annual embarrassment. I'm not talking about the prestigious recognition we received in The Chronicle of Higher Education which ranked us as America's #1 marijuana University. I'm talking about the drug-infested gathering that makes UVM a living joke: 420 day.

The people this event hurts are recent UVM alumni. During two interviews in Connecticut, I found myself defending my education after prospective employers asked about 420.

Cynic columnist Peter Morrison wrote an article condemning the event last year which received considerable attention. Tuition was raised and no one cared; the faculty unionized and no one cared; but criticize the University for turning a blind eye to marijuana use and students were

I'm sure just as many students at other universities feel the same way UVM does about the legalization of marijuana. The reason other universities don't have 420 day is because their administrations are responsible and realize the potential damage such an event does to the reputation of an institution.

When Chief Margolis takes April 20 back from the potheads, I'll be there to support him.

> Steve Messemer Class of 2001

ISO Brings Criticism on Itself

To the Editor:

Article 50 of the Soviet Constitution of 1977 guaranteed its citizens the right to freedom of speech "in accordance with the interests of the people and for the purpose of strengthening and developing the socialist system." The ISO has continually tried to distance itself from the Soviet Union, but this little clause perfectly represents the ISO at UVM.

Take for example the Anti-War panel that took place March 13 at the CC Theater. In the interest of hearing a different perspective on things, a couple of my friends and I attended the panel. After all three speakers were done with their speeches, the pro-war dissenters had a couple of questions.

Of course, after expressing our opinions one of the speakers proceeded to tell us "we thought we were all big and bad because we were from Ver-Mont" and a couple members of the audience that were anti-war told us that we were going to hell since we were baby killers. (I guess they thought we were pro-choice).

Another good example would be when Socialist Professor Kari Winter referred the Political Science Department as training "Nazis," when a student having a conversation with Professor Gierzynski said he thought Nader was crazy for wanting to slash the military budget in half.

Students and professors of the ISO must realize that there is a huge difference between academic debate and academic ignorance.

They claim to be the advocates of peace and civil liberties, but only when it's in the best interests of the ISO.

Bob Fulton

ISO Stories Are Contradictory

To the Editor:

If the ISO is going to lie to cover their actions, they should at least take a minute to get on the same page.

On one hand, you have ISO member Dan Traum, who said in the Cynic, "[Jon Kantor] claimed that he would refrain from argument, however, it soon became apparent that this was far from true."

On the other hand, ISO Professor Nancy Welch said in the Burlington Free Press, that "the students were reluctant to

speak when Kantor announced his intention to observe and take notes."

Is this group so afraid to hold themselves to the same type of accountability they demand from everyone else?

The ISO had no right to stop that student from attending their meeting, needs to stop lying and take responsibility for their actions!

> John Gaultier Continuing Education

Police in Dorms Benefits UVM Community



Jon Kantor
Cynic Columnist

Why is there such a perceived adversarial relationship between the UVM Police and the students?

Yours truly did a ride-along to see exactly what was going

on. The night began at the headquarters where I met the officers. I patrolled with Officer Jackman around East Campus.

Other officers were responsible for patrolling Redstone and Main Campus.

Sgt. Bilodeau identified some 'hotspots' such as Wing-Davis-Wilkes, where R.A.'s had asked for attention and Wills Hall, where the residents trashed the hall, breaking bottles, throwing chairs, and tearing down Exit signs.

We did not go into one dorm without being summoned.

Our first call was a complaint of loud music on the fourth floor of Tupper.

Halfway up the stairwell, we could hear two rooms having 'stereo wars' at 12:45 in the morning.

The officer went to the first room, knocked and identified himself. The music immediately died and a voice called out, "I'm trying to sleep!" The door stayed If students want their "freedom," they should stand up and take personal responsibility for their actions.

closed despite repeated requests to talk.

Warnings were given to cooperate and eventually "noise violation" and "failure to comply" tickets were slid under the door.

The second room was answered by a calm, sober student who in a discussion with the police officer recognized that his music was too loud, apologized and lowered it.

The officer saw empty bottles of alcohol and a Burlington street sign hanging in the room, confiscated them and left, issuing no citations.

Speaking to the residents afterwards, the sign-less but un-ticketed residents still expressed shock and dismay at the police officer's actions.

Some first-year students shed a different light on police/student relations.

Evan said "I think they're here to help us out."

Dustin expanded "[Students] feel that [the police] are always out to get them, but in all actuality, they aren't."

My first year at UVM, police activity was slower and less proactive.

That year a friend on my floor in Buckham died, in part, because it took precious minutes for emergency services to arrive.

This night, a student in Wills overdosed.

Police responded in less than a minute and the student survived.

Life is full of trade-offs. My ability to play music loud and walk around the dorms free of police interference was paid for dearly.

Peter Fitzgerald paid with his life.

Most complaints about police activity are about minor inconveniences to a minority of students.

They can be avoided if only students show a modicum of responsibility and maturity.

If students want to be respected as adults, they should act like adults.

If they want the police to treat them like kids or criminals, they can act like the animals that tore up Wills, or the evasive miscreant who wouldn't answer his door.

Above all, if students want their "freedom," they should stand up and take personal responsibility for their actions.

Blaming the police or the administration for what some students bring on themselves is not going to solve anything.

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Students Need to Get Involved



Shawna Wells Guest Columnist

I am a firm believer in the phrase, "a place is what you make of it." It is every up to the individual to take advantage of everything a place has to

The University setting fits this description as well. To me, UVM has numerous opportunities for students to get involved; however, there is a lack in certain realms of communication.

Being a Senator on the Student Government Association, I know that Cat Connections, the new student-wide email, and the Bored webpage are great ways of bridging the communication gap within our community.

With all the great work that SGA has been involved in this year, I am confident that student affairs at UVM is on the uprise. Of course, it will need much more effort, but we are on the right track.

SGA has developed and encouraged many solid issues on this campus. UVM Cares, the student drive that raised money for the Sept.11 fund, raised over \$23,000. It showed solidarity on the campus, and the SGA took the leading role in the effort.

We have also worked to incorporate over \$100,000 of blue lights throughout the campus

The four years that every student spends at UVM are valuable and unique for every student, so let's make the best of them.

over the next couple of years.

Relations with Montpelier and the City of Burlington have increased with the work done by the Committee of Legislative Action

Our relations with the faculty and advising staff have made great strides with the "all student feedback system" which allows students to voice concerns about faculty anonymously.

Our Finance Committee has worked diligently to utilize student money in a professional way. Lastly, the Student Activities Committee has made great strides in order to promote student involvement, including

recognizing clubs and creating events for students in which they can participate. These efforts have helped to increase school spirit.

Not only has the SGA been vital in these activities, but it has also been extremely active in voicing the concerns of the students in terms of President Fogel and various resolutions that have

It is my belief that UVM can become a powerful force and a better instrument in the future.

Leave a place better than when you found it — get yourself involved.

The four years that every student spends at UVM are valuable and unique for every student, so let's make the best of them.

Shawna Wells is SGA Vice President-elect for 2002-2003,

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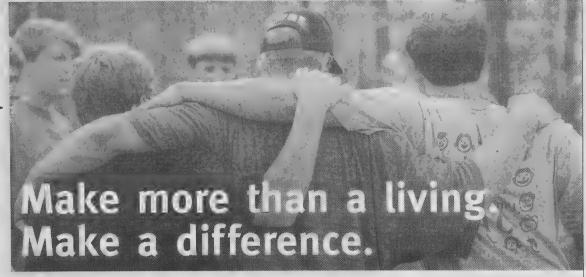
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English Chair Said | Incident Raises Ouestions

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She also said the remark was made to Gieryzynski.

Warhol said Dunnivant wasn't listening during their meeting and characterized some of his statements as rude.

Winter did not apologize for the remark at the meeting, but she did acknowledge that it was inappropriate, according to Warhol.

"If you don't speak respectfully to one another then debate becomes impossible...Neither one behaved respectfully in the incident," said Warhol.

She also noted that the incident raises important questions about free speech and academic freedom, such as when use of word like 'Nazi,' becomes inappropriate, something she also said she discussed with Dunnivant.

"I think that there are polite ways to do these things and there are rude ways, and I think that the remark in the elevator was rude, but it's so important that opposing viewpoints from both sides be spoken, discussed and aired, because if you close that down you don't have a university anymore," said Warhol.

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Four Student Employees to Be Honored by UVM

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students in Chittenden Country.

Three other UVM student employees will be honored, including Carolyn Blake, Jenny Evans, and Leila Zayed. Blake, a UVM senior, serves as Student Supervisor in the Access Services Department at the Bailey/Howe Library.

She is responsible for offering her technical knowledge, dealing with the library's money, handling collection materials, and training other student employees.

"Cocoa is a part of the fabric of everyday life here at the main library on campus," said her supervisor Angus Robertson.

"She has helped to fine tune our procedures and has quite literally helped to keep this place running." Evans, a UVM junior, works as a Program Assistant at the Sara Holbrook Community Center where she helps with the preschool and after school programs.

Her responsibilities entail behavior management, program and activity planning, and administrative assistance.

"She has an excellent attitude and takes everything in stride," said her supervisor Stefanie Lloyd. "In a constantly high stress environment, Jenny somehow always remains professional and extremely calm. Her work

leaves a lasting impression on her co-workers at the Sara Holbrook Community Center, because her contributions are too great to

Zayed, another UVM junior, is a student manager in the Living and Learning Director's Office.

"We tend to save extremely important tasks for Leila," said her supervisor Jana Talcott. "We know if Leila is assigned it, they will get done promptly and correctly."

The weeklong celebration to honor the student employees will include a number of events. There will be a free bagel breakfast on April 9 from 7:30 to 11 a.m. in the Career Services offices in Living/Learning Building E. The week's activities culminate with a luncheon and awards ceremony, at which Interim President Colodny will make the closing remarks.

-Staff Report

Jim Douglas to Speak Today

Republican gubernatorial candidate Jim Douglas will speak in John Dewey Lounge today at 6:30 p.m. He is the last in a series of politicians to discuss environmental issues as part of ENVS-195, Politics and the Environment class.

-Staff Report



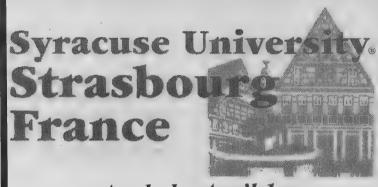


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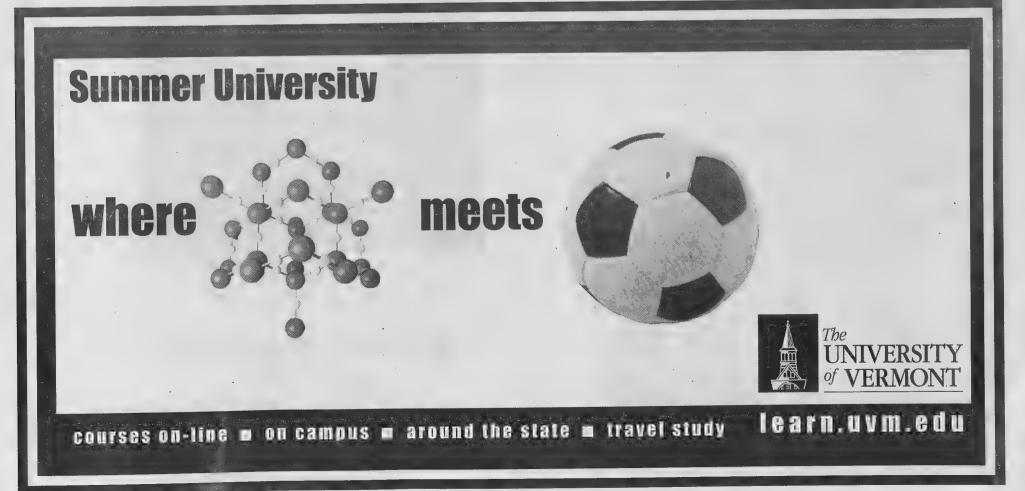
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Dear Dr. Love,

My girlfriend and I have been doing the long distance thing for this whole year. Despite the 3,000 miles, my feelings for her have not changed. We are going to Cancun after the semester ends and I am thinking of popping the big question!

But, for one thing, my parents will kill me, and the second thing is, we still have another year apart before we graduate. Is this too soon? Should I hold off, or just go for it?

-Long Distance in Love

Dear Long Distance,

Wow! That's quite a big decision! You should really do some hard thinking, which I'm sure you've been doing. Make sure this is really what you want.

If you have any doubts whatso-ever, then wait! Remember that you are still young, and you have plenty of time for marriage. College is a time for fun, travel, and education.

But, in the end, follow your heart. If you feel that this is something you must do, then you know better than me. Either way, have fun in Cancun! Good luck.

Dear Dr. Love,

I have been dating this guy for a couple of weeks and his birthday is coming up. What is an appropriate gift for someone you have only known for a little while?

-Shopping in Shelburne

Dear Shopping,

Tough question! But, not that uncommon. The good thing is, since you haven't been with this guy for that long, the gift doesn't have to be very expensive.

I would suggest something small but meaningful.

Stay away from rings, watches, and concert tickets, at this

Avoid anything that denotes commitment; you don't want to scare the guy away.

Perhaps something to do with a private joke the two of you share, as well as a sweet card. Good luck!

In a bind? Need some expert advice? E-mail your letters to Dr. Love at

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Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 19

Welcome back from spring break! Just remember, what happened over the break is history now. Fall back into the school routine real quick, or you'll regret

Aquarius Jan 20 - Feb 18

You just have been having no luck romantically lately. Better just give up for the time being...the stars are showing several more weeks of frustration and Ioneliness for you. Sorry!

Pisces Feb 19 - March 20

Did you know that a new baby costs \$474 a month? Better start saving...

Aries March 21 – April 19

Tired of being shut down in socio-political debates? Take an hour or so and research something that you don't understand, but hear talked about every day. Then show everyone what a towering intellectual you are.

Taurus April 20 - May 20

Buy a big bottle of Pepto Bismol. You have a nasty stomach ailment coming your way, and you don't want to get caught with your pants down!

Gemini May - June 21

Gloat over your success. Rub it in the face of everyone you meet. If they tell you to shut up, you just tell them where to go.

Cancer June 22 - July 22

That rash isn't what you hope it is. Go down to the Student Health Center and get checked out!

Leo July 23 - Aug 22

Weekly Horoscopes

Save your money and don't lend any to your friends. The next work-study check is going to be light, and you need every cent you can put your hands on. No one is going to help you if you run out of

Virgo Aug 23 – Sept 22

Pull a cheesy prank on a buddy. Steal all of their underwear, put Tabasco sauce in their food, or set a hard-core porn photo as the wallpaper on their comput-

Libra Sept 23 - Oct 22

Contact an old friend that you haven't talked to in a while. It doesn't matter if you had a falling out, moved away, or have just been really, really busy.

They will be tickled pink that you haven't forgotten them, even after all these years.

Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 21

It's not too late to raise a failing grade. Something as simple as doing half an hour of homework a night or asking the professor to please accept a late assignment can make a world of difference.

Go to the Learning Cooperative for some peer tutoring, or get in touch with your T.A. Hey, you have nothing to lose!

Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21

The time is ripe for a change in lifestyle. Quit smoking, start that new exercise regimen, or set a new daily schedule for work, play, and sleep: Your body will thank you before long!

Huddle's Novel Not Worth the Read

Call the Vatican, because there's been another miracle, and it's David Huddle's latest book, La Tour Dreams of the Wolf Girl!

Wait a minute! Don't dial that number yet; it seems there has been a false miracle alarm somewhere.

Huddle's La Tour Dreams of the Wolf Girl is the story of an Art History professor, Suzanne, who struggles with her marriage while actively creating the imaginary world of Georges La Tour's final days of painting and living.

Included in this world is Vivienne, a local model who is involved in La Tour's final years preceding his death.

The character development is all too often shallow, with too much of it revolving around the romantic lives of the characters.

We are never able to consider them outside of their respective sexual roles.

The characters' actions follow a predictable, and often boring routine, leading the reader to ask, "How many more pages till it's over?"

It would also seem that Huddle is expressing his own dissatisfaction with UVM students through Suzanne's frequent tangents throughout the novel, such as, "She suspects that her contribution to their development would be just as effective if they napped while she yammered



Andy Duback/VC Staff **UVM English Professor David** Huddle recently published La Tour Dreams of the Wolf Girl!

away..."

Huddle's style is neither original nor inventive.

There is the occasional digression back to an earlier childhood event, setting up an obvious comparison between the past and present.

In short, David Huddle's latest book reads like a Lifetime Original "Movie of the Week." complete with predictable development and ending.

Perhaps this story should be adapted to a screenplay and sold to The Lifetime Network.

David Huddle has been living in Vermont and teaching at UVM since 1971.

Perhaps this story should be adapted to a screenplay and sold to The Lifetime Network.

During his teaching career, Huddle has spent time as the Writer-in-Residence at Indiana University and as a faculty member at Warren Willson College.

He has also been a visiting writer at Idaho University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

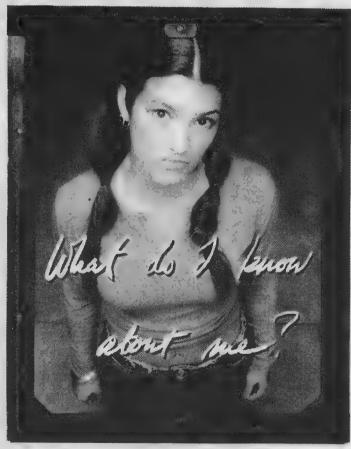
He has had many novels published, including The Story of a Million Years, The Writing Habit: Essays, Intimates: A Book of Stories, and others.

Huddle's writing can also be seen in such magazines as "Esquire," "The New York Times Magazine," "Playboy," and oth-

Cynic book critic Andrew Woods is a member of the Class of 2005.

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Catamount Sports

Lady Cats Impress



Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

Women's Basketball team held its

season ending banquet Sunday night, wrapping up what has been

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a great year for the program.

The Catamounts finished the season with a record of 23-8 and a trip to the Women's National Invitational Tournament (their first ever appearance).

The team made history while competing in the WNIT, picking up their first-ever postseason victory by defeating Holy Cross 70-

But they didn't stop there. Next up was St, Joseph, who Vermont also conquered in front of the home crowd 60-55.

Both (MacAulay and Smith) played very big roles in Vermont's success and set the standard for the rest of the team both on and off the court. The two will greatly be missed.

The season came to an end when they traveled to play Virginia Tech in the Elite Eight of the WNIT.

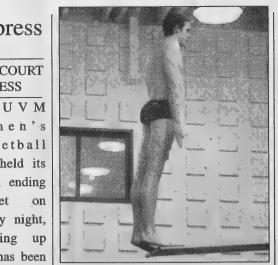
This capped off a great season that was highlighted by winning the conference with a 14-2 regular season record, and also a span in the season that saw them rattle off 13 straight wins.

seniors, Jen The two MacAulay and Libby Smith were both honored at the banquet for their four years here at UVM. Both played very big roles in Vermont's success and set the standard for the rest of the team both on and off the court. The two will greatly be missed.

Many of the Catamounts earned postseason honors and were recognized for their accomplish-

Smith was selected as a firstteam All Conference selection, while sophomore Aaron Yantzi and junior Morgan Hall each grabbed a second team spot. Freshman Katie McNamara was also a member of the All Rookie team. Yantzi also earned America East All-Tournament Team honors after averaging 21 points per game and shooting 62percent from the field during the tournament.

Vermont has a lot to be proud of for what they have accomplished and can be excited about next season, as the Cats return four starters and only lose two players from this year.



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Matt Egber prepares for a dive at a home

UVM Swimmers Honored for Academic Excellence

The University of Vermont swimming and diving program has been honored again for its academic excellence by the College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA).

Coach Gerry Cournoyer's men and women's teams were both named to the CSCAA's Academic All-America Team for the second consecutive year. The men's team was ranked ninth nationally in team GPA with a 3.144 cumulative average, while the women's team had a combined 2.909 grade-point average, good for 52nd in the country. Teams needed an overall GPA of at least 2.80 to qualify for the Academic All-America

"I am very proud of my teams," said Cournoyer, who just finished his second year at UVM. "All of our student-athletes have worked as hard in the classroom as they have in the pool. This is a wonderful honor for the UVM swimming and diving program, the UVM athletic department and the University of Vermont."

-Sports Info.

Va. Tech Ends UVM's Season; 74-48

By LISA OBRENTZ

In the quarter-finals of the Women's National Invitation Tournament (WNIT), the Catamounts fell to the Hokies of Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, VA, by a score of 76-48, last Wednesday.

The 2001-2002 record will stand at an impressive 23-9 for

Fueled by on-target shooting from forward Sarah Hicks, the Hokies dominated the game from the start, only letting Vermont take the lead once at 11-10 early in the first half. Hicks shot 4-of-5 from behind the arc and 8-of-11 from the floor. Her 22 points were a game-high.

The size and physical play of the Virginia Tech women held the Cats back.

They out-rebounded UVM

Despite the Cat's lack of size they made a valiant effort to stay in the game. Ieva Kublina, a

UVM Skiers Named All-Americans

The University of Vermont ski team can boast of seven All-Americans after last week's NCAA Championships Anchorage, Alaska.

Seven of the 12 members of UVM's NCAA squad - including five of the six Catamount alpine skiers - were named All-Americans, with three, Torgeir Lien, Alex Krebs and Scott Kennison, nabbing first-team honors.

-Sports Info.



University Photography Jen MacAulay goes for a layup.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

6-foot-4 Va. Tech sophomore, used her height against a Vermont team whose tallest players are 6-foot-1.

Sophomore Aaron Yantzi scored a team-high 14 points. Libby Smith started her 122nd straight game for UVM - a school record.

Coach Keith Cieplicki Cieplicki credits the improvement of the program to his seniors: "I don't know where this program would be without Libby and Jen. We owe them a

Spring Break Scoreboard

Baseball (4-7) Vermont 16.....N. Illinois 6 Vermont 7......Northern Iowa 9 Vermont 10......Dartmouth 11 Jason Carrey-(4-4) 3 3B, 2 R Vermont 4..... Barry Chamberland-(2-4) 3 RBI Vermont 7......South Florida 12 Garin Clough-2 2B, 3 RBI Vermont 2......Far. Dickinson 1 Jamie Merchant-7IP, 7H, 8K Vermont 6......Dartmouth 11

.....Army 3

Softball (0-10) Vermont 0.....Austin Peay 1 Vermont 0.....Butler 9 Vermont 0.....Mississippi 10 Vermont 0......Colgate 5

Vermont 2.....Cornell 6

Raymond Montanez-(4-5) RBI

Vermont 14.....

Jeff Barry-(5-5) 3 R, RBI

Vermont 2..... Christine Toomey-(3-4) 2B Vermont 0......Columbia 4 Angie Totaro-CG, 5k Vermont 3......Cen. Florida 10 Vermont 0.....Army 7 Vermont 1.....Wis. Green Bay 8

Women's Lacrosse (2-0) Vermont 9......Manhattan 6 Holly Roberts-13 Saves 3-21 Vermont 22...Howard 14 Molly Shaheen-5 G

Men's Lacrosse (2-4) Vermont 9.....Providence 10 Phil McKnight-4 G, A Vermont 7... ...Denver 12 Thomas Hajek-G, 2 A Vermont 16.....Boston College 8 RJ Harrison-3 G, 2 A

Women's Basketball (23-9) Vermont 60.....St. Joseph's 55 Morgan Hall-14 pts 10 reb Vermont 48.....Virginia Tech 76

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Students Use Legal Hallucinogen



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A UVM student smokes Salvia mixed with marijuana out of a water pipe.

Undergrads Smoke Salvia for Psychedelic Effects

By MIKE BANYAS

Some UVM students have been abusing the legal green plant Salvia Divinorum to elicit an intense hallucinogenic experi-

Native to the Oaxaca region in Southern Mexico, it is primarily used for healing and religious ceremonies.

However, since the early 1990s, Salvia has become increasingly popular in the underground psychedelic culture. It is purchased by UVM students over the internet at approximately 15 dollars a gram and is mainly sold in one ounce quantities. The plant may be ingested by chewing the leaves or by smoking it through a water pipe. Users say it produces intense trips that last between five and 10 minutes.

'Within seconds the entire room went black and the only thing that I could see was the television screen...'

> -Andrew **UVM** Junior

bad memories of his first experience with Salvia.

"Before I could exhale the smoke, I felt like I was floating up to the ceiling and at the same time my skin was melting off," he said.

"I became so tripped out that I had to run out of the room. It was the most intense trip of my life and thank God it only lasted five minutes."

Andrew, another UVM junior who has experimented with Salvia, was also thankful his experience was short-lived.

He recalls smoking Salvia Adam, a UVM junior, has out of a bong while watching a Jimmy Hendrix DVD his freshman year in Chittenden Hall. "After I ingested the smoke, I just felt very different," he said.

"Within seconds the entire room went black and the only thing that I could see was the television screen, but I could not make out what was on the television. For five to 10 minutes I was scared that I would not be normal ever again."

UVM Junior Mike also said the drug had severe effects on his

"I have never taken a drug before in my life where it feels like someone is taking a corkscrew and turning it into my brain," he said.

"To experience that kind of feeling, you know something cannot be good for you."

Panel on Arab-Israeli Conflict Thursday

UVM Republicans, the UVM College Democrats and the UVM Vermont-Israel Student Alliance are co-sponsoring an academic panel discussing "US Foreign Policy, the Arab-Israeli Conflict, and Strategies for Peace." The panel will take place Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Billings Student Center's North Lounge.

panel The includes: Professor Robert Kaufman B.A., M.A., M.Phil., and Ph.D., Columbia University; J.D., University. Georgetown Professor Kaufman specializes in American foreign policy and international politics. Also,

College Ph.D. Harvard University (1987). Professor Gause's teaching and research interests are in international relations and Middle Eastern politics.

He is the author of a number of articles and two books, "Oil Monarchies: Domestic and Security Challenges in the Arab Gulf States," (1994) and "Saudi-Yemini Relations: Domestic Structures and Foreign Influence"

And, Professor Rex Brynen Ph.D. University of Calgary.

Professor Brynen's teaching and research interests are peacebuilding and post-conflict reconstruction, Middle East politics: Professor Gregory Gause B.A., Palestine, Jordan; Arab-Israeli St. Joseph's University (1980); peace process (with special

emphasis on development assistance and refugees); security and development in the Middle East; authoritarianism and democratization in the Arab world. Professor Brynen is an Associate Professor of Political Science at McGill University in Montreal.

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Tickner Vetoes UVM **ISO Suspension**

By DAMON LUCIANO

Student-Government Association President Bill Tickner vetoed, on Friday, a decision by the SGA Senate made this past Tuesday night, to suspend all activities of UVM's student chapter of the International Socialist Organization until fall semester.

The Senate had suspended the ISO for refusing to allow conservative UVM junior, and Cynic Columnist, Jon Kantor, to attend an on-campus meeting several

Included in the penalty was a suspension of all ISO activities on campus until fall and confiscation of the ISO's funding for next academic year. The Student Activities Committee originally recommended suspending the ISO for two semesters, rather than one.

The SGA Senate passed the resolution penalizing the ISO after 30 minutes of debate, without giving the ISO an opportunity to present their case before the Senate. SGA rules allow the SGA President three business days to veto legislation, but the Senate can override Tickner's veto with a two-thirds majority

"It's only fair to turn back the clock and give them a chance to speak for themselves," said



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff UVM ISO President Keith Rosenthal waits outside SGA President Bill Tickner's office prior to a meeting with him last Friday.

Tickner. "They should have been notified this was happening regardless if that would affect the decision or not. I want to make it clear the veto was not because of the actual sanctions that were made. It was purely a procedural reason." Still, ISO President Keith Rosenthal, was given an opportunity to speak on the issue before the Executive Committee two weeks before the Senate voted to suspend the ISO.

The Executive Committee includes the SGA Committee Chairs, President, Vice President,

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Sophomore Jason Dunnivant stands outside the elevator on the fourth floor of Old Mill Thursday evening.

Professor Apologizes for Remark

By MIKE BANYAS

UVM English Professor Kari Winter recently apologized for accusing the Political Science Department of 'training Nazis' earlier this month.

In the accusation, Winter had said to Political Science Professor Anthony Griezynski, "I wish your department would stop training Nazis," in the presence of UVM sophomore Jason Dunnivant.

Dunnivant had criticized former Presidential candidate Ralph Nader's proposal to cut the

defense budget in half.

The apology letters were sent March 19, almost two weeks after Winter defended her accusation in an open letter March 6.

Winter sent one of her letters to Dunnivant addressing it "Dear Student" and sent the other to Griezynski and Political Science Department Chair Professor George Moyser.

Reactions from members of both the English Department and

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The idea that the Political Science Department trains Nazis is absurd. Then

again, considering the source, it is no sur-

Faculty from the same department illegally obstructed a student from attending a public meeting of an SGA organization.

On the political spectrum, the political science department is remarkably well balanced, representing a broad spectrum of thought, and the English Department is remarkably narrow.

Professors Nancy Welch and Helen Scott acted in an unprofessional and biased manner when someone wanted to learn more about ISO.

Professor Kari Winter slandered a student and a department, implying that both were Nazis.

Winter's statement was patently untrue, and she went to pains to spread that falsehood through an open letter.

If any department is to be accused of being a hotbed of political extremism, it should be the English Department, with its outspoken supporters of International Socialism (as opposed to National Socialism).

Far from being disciplined, Professor Welch has been promoted to be in charge of writing next year.

If Welch and Scott actually believe the unsubstantiated drivel printed in the Socialist Worker, their political naivete is manifest.

I wish these three professors would stop playing politics and start teaching English.

> Guillaume McDowell Class of 2004

SGA Needs to Clarify Constitution

With the ability to suspend funding, revoke privileges to use on-campus buildings, recognize, and derecognize student groups, the SGA wields substantial power over which activities are available to students at UVM.

Decisions that the SGA makes determine if individuals seeking to join student groups will have the opportunity to do

Here is some advice for SGA: Any decision that the SGA makes should take into account how the same rules would be applied in similar decisions in the future.

This means that any group on campus could be suspended for a full semester, have their accounts frozen, and have next academic year's budget confiscated, for an act deemed to be discrimina-This begs the question: what types of acts constitute discrimination?

The Constitution says what grounds for discrimination are barred, "race, color, sex...," but does not define what constituted an act of discrimination itself.

In this recent case the claim that the unfairly discriminated may be con-

If the penalty the ISO received seems like a harsh sentence, then one should consider that discrimination against minorities is one of the defining parts of American history.

It is for that reason that strict enforcement of laws barring discrimination is so important to our common sense of morality

If SGA decides that some types of discrimination are different from others, this determination should be made sooner, rather than later - it should have been made long ago

If all types of discrimination are considered equally wrong, this should be noted in the Constitution under Article VII, section 9, where discrimination is prohibit-

SGA might also want to be sure that whole groups are not unfairly punished for the actions of a few individuals.

A second, if related, piece of advice for SGA is to get its policies and procedures squared away in a timely manner, without sacrificing good judgement in creating fair rules for all situations.

That the SGA deals with yiolations of SGA rules on a case by case basis leaves open the door for groups to claim

that SGA's decisions are arbitrary and

Our Federal Constitution and its Amendments have procedural and substantive mechanisms built into them. These include the 'twenty dollar jury clause,' the clause defining treason, and our Fifth and Eight Amendment rights.

SGA should note the difference between substantive and procedural requirements. Procedure has to do with the political process - how decisions are made- while substance has to do with the stuff decisions are made about.

Including procedural mechanisms in the SGA Constitution means including clear statements about which procedures will be followed, and under which circumstances.

Right now the SGA Constitution provides a specific procedure for dealing with violations of rules under Article VII, Section 8.

That provision, which falls under the subject heading, "Derecognition Criteria," requires that, "clubs shall be given two weeks notice to attend a hearing with the Student Activities committee to explain their actions.'

ISO President Keith Rosenthal pointed out the ISO was not given this opportunity.

Since the semantics of that clause do not confine its meaning to clubs facing derecognition, perhaps the subject heading should be changed to "Penal Procedures and Derecognition Criteria."

ISO President Keith Rosenthal also pointed out that there is no written appeals process in the SGA Constitution.

Fair procedures and clear statements of substantive rules insulate the judicial process from allegations of bias.

The SGA Constitution should be clarified in a way that allows students to access the appeals process functions and how final decisions are made.

Ensuring that the system functions as it should - in the best interests of students - will require a public statement of all procedures in advance, forcing SGA to be sure that the procedures will be acceptable to the student body and recognized

If this is not done, situations will arise which require discretionary judgement, and the SGA again leaves the door open for criticism that its decisions are biased or unfair.

More News, Less Dr. Love

English Dept. Hotbed of Extremism

To the Editor:

In a paper already choked with advertisements, it surprises me that the staff of the Cynic has elected to take up even more valuable newspaper space by including a column as outrageous as that of Dr. Love.

The entire column exudes a fictitious air, and I have a hard time believing that it is not just made up.

For example, a few weeks ago a girl wrote in and talked about her boyfriend down the hall when the dorm she lives in is all girls!

In addition, the so called advice that Dr. Love hands out is nothing more than common sense. My boyfriend and I laugh at the column because so many of the questions these "people" are sending in to Dr. Love seem rhetorical.

If my hands are dirty, I do not write to an advice columnist and ask what I should do. No, I go to the sink and I

The Cynic should replace this absurd column with something comparable to the book review that ran next to it last week —an article that actually took time and effort to write.

> Jennifer Smith Class of 2002

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Don't Call the Police; Work Out the Problems



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

We're all adults here at but UVM, being treated as adults by the police and the administration that makes us mad.

Being treated like children builds resentment toward the administration and the police and justifiably so. I would be bitter, too, if someone treated me like a kid.

Let's try a different way to respond to this than simply complaining about it. Let's be proactive.

Some students see that since they're treated like kids, they have a green light to act like kids.

This is not helpful to any of us. The best way to make it so that we're no longer treated like kids is to police ourselves.

Holding our floormates and roommates accountable for their actions is difficult.

But if we are going to stop the vicious cycle of being treated like kids and acting like kids, we need to hold ourselves responsible and accountable for each other.

We're all on the same side We need to hold our

Instead of calling the police when a floor-mate plays his music too loud, have the personal courage to ask your him or her to lower it.

friends and peers responsible for their actions and stop blaming everyone but ourselves for the consequences of our own actions and inaction.

Moreover, we need to take control of our living spaces, our dorms and our student-life.

We've been subject to a culture where personal responsibility and accountability, commitment to our peers and personal courage have fallen by the way-

Here's a thought: instead of calling the police when a floormate plays his music too loud, have the personal courage to ask your floormate to lower it.

Here's another: Instead of ridiculing the floormate who asks you to lower your music, imagine acting in a considerate and respectful manner and lowering the music.

Take the police out of the

The best way to do that is through consideration for your floormates, respect for your R.A. and a sense of personal accountability.

Running to the Police as a surrogate Mommy or Daddy does nothing to advance the cause of being treated like the adults we are.

A small dose of consideration and respect for our roommates and floormates will keep the police out of the dorms and do wonders for how we are seen by the faculty and administra-

Lack of respect extends to vandalism in the dorms. A student-run UVM website actually brags about the damages to Wills Hall.

Few have unlimited funds to pay for our time here. Most students have loans, grants, Veteran's Benefits or work multiple jobs to pay for their educa-

It is frustrating to have the limited funds available for a precious education wasted by the unthinking acts of a few.

What avenues are available to those frustrated students? Do they hold their inconsiderate peers accountable?

Of course not-they call the police and the cycle continues.

Let's take our campus and our dormitories back from the police and administration.

Let's do it in a novel way, though, not by acting like kids, but by acting like adults.

Column Wrong About Police

To the Editor:

On a regular basis, UVM police overstep their boundaries as "law enforcers" and commit what would be heinous acts in a court of law. As for the "evasive miscreants" you spoke of who refused to open their doors for the police, what they are doing is upholding their constitutional right to withhold personal information.

Have you ever heard of search and seizure? If not, this article of our constitution requires police to have a federal search warrant when conducting investigations, and it allows us to refuse cops from entering our personal sanctuaries called

Here's a case of a gross breach of our civil liberties and the police's role as law enforcement. A good friend of mine was recently written up while he was asleep and his roommate was at class. After receiving a call from an RA about the smell of incense, the police

arrived and subsequently began knocking on this student's door although there was no evidence that he was using incense.

The cops then wrote out a UVM violation notice and slipped it under the student's door. As if this wasn't bad enough, they proceeded to add marijuana usage to the charges. The door was never opened and, yes, the student was actually asleep.

This is no lie — a sleeping student was actually accused of a crime that was never committed. If that isn't the most absurd example of police running rampant over our constitution and basic human rights then I don't know what is.

I command you, UVM, to take these UVM violation notices to a court of law so that a judge can laugh at them and our judiciary procedures. Stop committing illegal acts and start promoting a cooperative environment.

> Jonas Baker Class of 2005

Possible ISO Derecognition Still an Issue

A week ago, the Student Government Association passed a resolution (based purely on testimony from John Kantor) suspending the International Socialist Organization's SGA recognition and funding for the remainder of the school year.

In addition, the ISO would have been placed in bad standing for the remainder of the coming academic year, thus depriving the organization of its \$4,000 annual budget.

All of this happened because the ISO had decided not to hold a meeting with John Kantor present.

Although SGA President Bill Tickner recently vetoed this decision on the basis that the Senate did not follow proper procedure in determining the culpability and possible punishment of student club, this issue has not died.

The Senate can overturn the veto by a two-thirds majority, and even if the veto is not overturned, the Senate may decide to consider Kantor's well-publicized case again.

The ISO's view of the events that have transpired must reach the SGA and the UVM commu-

The ISO was having a nonpublicized study group meeting on "Marxism and the Trade Union Struggle."

When Kantor showed up, announcing that he wished to observe and take notes on the meeting, many ISO members expressed that Kantor's pres-

This is not only attack on the ISO, but a strategic move on behalf to suffocate the anti-war movement on this campus.

ence in the room was threatening; thus, we asked Kantor to

Kantor responded that he, as a University of Vermont student, had a right to be at our meeting and would not leave.

ISO members, not wanting to feel threatened throughout the meeting and not understanding their rights under the SGA consitution, voted to cancel the

Why did the ISO feel threatened by Kantor's presence? knows the answer.

Since Sept. 11, Kantor has made it his task to dismantle any dissenting voice to the Bush Administration's wars abroad.

One of his articles after Sept. 11 was titled "Support Our Country or Get Out."

In addition, Kantor has resorted to personally attacking several of our members.

Clearly, Kantor does not want to debate; he wants to intimi-

Aside from this, the SGA resolution was passed without considering certain aspects of due

The ISO was not notified to defend itself of Kantor's testimony before SGA voted on the resolution.

Furthermore, the precedent being used to punish the ISO is that the ISO violated the public meeting rule.

Is this fair to conclude given the nature of Kantor's relationship with the ISO?

What's more, does the punishment fit the offense?

No other SGA organization has ever been punished to such a magnitude for simply trying to figure out a tense situation such as this one while trying to ensure the comfort and safety of its members.

This is not only attack on the ISO, but a strategic move to suffocate the anti-war movement on this campus.

I hope that those of you who understand this will speak up Anybody who reads the Cynic and show support for the ISO in the following weeks.

> Nate Moore is a guest columnist for the Cynic and a member of the Class of 2002.

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"Cellophane on the toilet seat." Laura Stevens, 2002 Doylestown, PA



"Sold my roommate's books and bought her drinks with the money, then told her."

Sarah Goodrich, 2003, Annapolis, MD



"I filled my neighbor's fridge with stuffed animals. Marissa Kins, 2005, Chicago, IL

ISO Upset With Senate Vote

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and Treasurer. Of these, only Committee Chairs can vote in the

Claudia SGA Senator Coconubo, who was present at the Executive meeting, would not say that Rosenthal admitted to discriminating against a student when the ISO shut down their

"He basically felt that he had the right to call off the meeting as a choice for the club," she said.

Professor Helen Scott of the English Department, an ISO advisor, said on Thursday, "The ISO did no wrong and this is a grave injustice."

She added, "What's really happening is a student group is being shut down for its political positions."

Rosenthal expressed reservations similar to Tickner's. "No due process was followed," said

"Jon Kantor was allowed to address the entire Senate, to speak on this issue," he said. "We were never allowed to speak to the Senate to address this issue."

He added, "The SGA for a while had kicked people out of their meetings while they were taking place, because they weren't able to make sense of the ambiguity of their own procedures. And they rectified their own mistake without incurring

When the ISO refused to allow Kantor to attend the meeting, Kantor went straight to SGA Senators Shawna Wells and David Cordeau.

Wells and Cordeau returned to the ISO meeting with Kantor, and the Senators showed the provision barring discrimination against students to ISO President Keith Rosenthal.

While Wells, Kantor, Cordeau, and Rosenthal were standing in the hall outside the meeting room, ISO members inside the room closed the doors to their meeting. According to Wells, it was then that those inside the room agreed to cancel the meeting if Kantor insisted upon attending.

"It's a pretty black and white issue," said Wells, who is Chair of Student Activities Committee and Vice President-elect for next academic year.

According to Wells, even if members of the ISO had con-

Peter Clavelle to

Speak Today

frontations with Kantor in the past, that night there had not been a confrontation.

Wells said the ISO violated Article VII, section 9, of the SGA Constitution, which specifically prohibits discrimination against any student "in membership or participation...."

According to Wells, the SGA Constitution gives the Senate broad powers to deal with infractions, but the document does not lay out specific punishments for violations of SGA rules.

SGA Vice President Julie Britt said, "It states that any infraction of the policies will be brought before the Student Activities Committee, and they will make a recommendation. It's not broken down into specific

'What's really happening is a student group is being shut down for its political positions.

> -Helen Scott I.S.O. Faculty Advisor

It's unprecedented for a group to refuse to allow a student to participate in a meeting or activity, according to Wells, so there was no existing precedent for how to penalize a group for discrimination.

Still, Rosenthal and English Professor Helen Scott, an ISO advisor, both felt the decision was politically motivated.

Scott said, "What's really happening is a student group is being shut down for its political positions."

Rosenthal agreed, "I think the treatment that has been dealt to us would have been different for other groups. Also I think a lot of people just dealt with this really quickly at the expense of justice, just to be able to move

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He also said that the ISO planned to appeal the decision, and claimed that the SGA had no appeals process.

"When I asked her for the specific protocols of the suspension and appellate process she said she would write something up for me because these weren't hitherto available in written form," said Rosenthal.

A copy of the SGA Constitution provided by the SGA Secretary on Friday, last revised March 28, 2000, lacks a written appeals process.

SGA Senator David Cordeau said the ISO would not have been able to appeal unless a Senator was willing to introduce a measure reversing the penalty in front of the Senate.

appellate process The requires a Senator forward a motion to appeal and that such a motion is seconded by an SGA Senator.

Even then the ISO would not be able to address the Senate without a Senator yielding the floor to an ISO member.

If the Senate chooses not to override Tickner's veto on Tuesday, they can still pass an alternative measure penalizing the ISO.

Coconubo expects that one of the next pieces of business for the SGA will be creating a new appeals process.

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Winter Sends Two Letters of Apology

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Political Science Department ranged from comments calling Winter's remark "unprofessional" to calling her remark "a mistake."

Dunnivant and Winter met with English Department Chair, Professor Robyn Warhol, the same day Winter made the remark.

During that meeting, Winter had acknowledged the inappropriateness of her remark but did not apologize, according to Warhol.

Dunnivant remained unclear who Winter's apology was directed at.

"I received the letter of apology, however, it is yet to be seen whether it was a general or personal apology," said Dunnivant.

The letter read, "Dear Student, I deeply regret my inappropriate overreaction to your advocacy of military spending in the elevator in the Old Mill. The 'An apology has been issued to the Department and it appears that the situation is over.'

-George Moyser Political Science Chair

views you have articulated are completely mainstream within the United States, and it certainly was hyperbolic and unfair of me to suggest that the Political Science Department was training nazis. I am sorry. Please accept my apology."

Winter said her letter has brought the situation to a resolution.

"An apology has been issued, I have spoken to the Chairman of the Political Science Department, and the issue has been resolved," said Winter.

Moyser felt that Winter's decision to send an apology letter was appropriate.

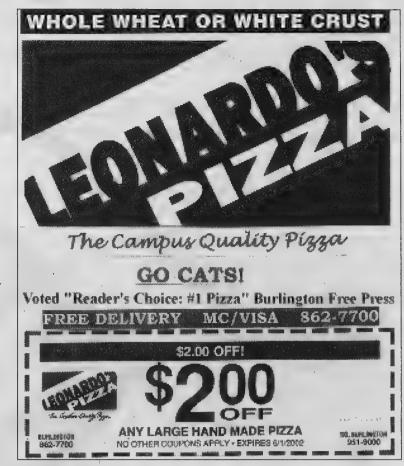
"An apology has been issued to the Department and it appears that the situation is over," he said.

Asked if Winter's apology was voluntary, Moyser' said, "I suppose she had a word with the Dean about the situation."

A photocopy of the letter in which Winter apologizes to the Political Science Department was also sent to Joan Smith, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Winter wrote, "I'm not sure to whom I should first address this apology, so I am sending it to both of you in hopes that you will forward it to the entire Political Science Department.

"I deeply regret losing my temper to the extent that I so inappropriately and unfairly criticized the pedagogy of the outstanding scholars and teachers in your fine department. My words were in every sense an error in judgement."





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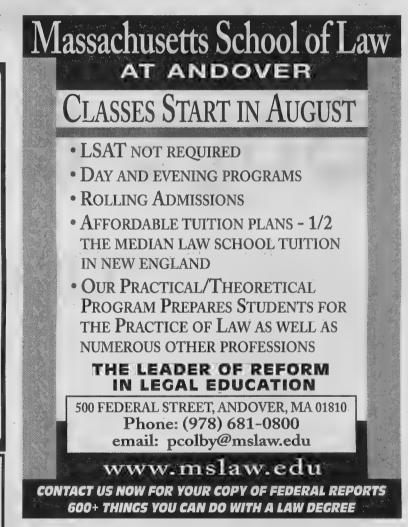
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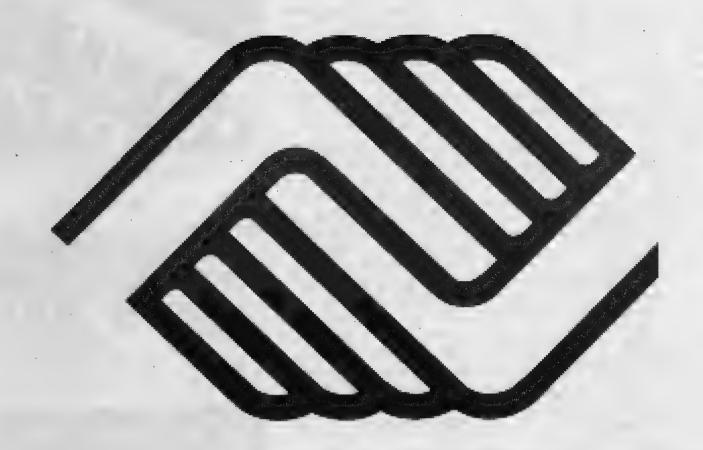
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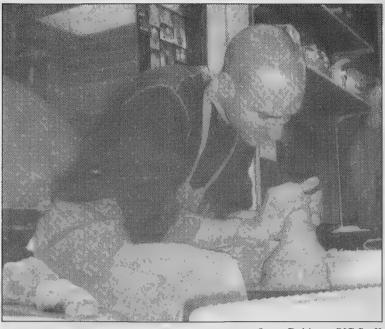
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Dr. Love Answers Your Questions

Dear Dr. Love,

I have been partying all year long and because of this, I have been with a lot of girls.

Recently, I noticed some weird symptoms in a strange place and went to the doctor to get it checked out.

I found out that somewhere along the line, I contracted a highly contagious STD.

It's not really dangerous, but the fact remains that it can be passed on to pretty much anyone.

The problem is that I don't remember who half of those girls are, and even if I told them, I would totally ruin my reputation and never have a chance with anyone again. What should I do?

-Worried in Wills

Dear Worried,

This is a serious problem. What you should really do is ask your doctor if it is necessary for these girls to know about the STD, before the problem gets worse.

It is your responsibility to tell them if they could be in danger.

Another problem is, as you mentioned, getting with people in

You should not be worried whether or not you "will have a chance" later on, you should be worried about being safe.

If you are going to be hooking up in the future and you have an STD, you must let new girls know ahead of time.

Otherwise, you are being just as mean as the person who never let you know in the first place.

Remember, just because we are in college, we are not in the "free-loving-60s."

Today we have all kinds of STDs floating around, and universities are among the top breeding

Besides my prior advice, all I can say is, use protection and discretion when fooling around.

It may be fun at the time, but a careless hook-up can get you in a whole lot of trouble down the road.

Dear Dr. Love,

My boyfriend is always online.

When I first got together with him. I noticed that he had a bunch of porn sites under his "online favorites," and he has a lot of girls on his buddy list. I didn't think much of it then, because I thought, "Hey, he has me now!"

But every night when I am in bed, he is tapping away at the computer 'till midnight, even when I know he doesn't have homework.

One night, he got up to go to the bathroom and I looked at his computer and saw that he had been having a long cybersex conversation with this girl . . . and to make matter worse, she's one of the girls on his buddy list that he always said was "just a friend."

I don't feel like I can trust him anymore. I know it's just internet talk but it feels like cheating to me. What should I do?

-Crushed in Christie

Dear Crushed,

First of all, you are right to say that this is cheating. While he may not have gone out and physically done something with another woman, he did do something that he would never dream of doing in your presence. That is what makes it so wrong.

I wouldn't jump to any conclusions and guess that he has been otherwise unfaithful or that he has any sick internet addic-

However, I would question why he feels the need to go outside the relationship to fulfill his needs. These are things you need to ask him.

If you find that after talking with him he still persists in his late night cyber affairs, then get mad. If he prefers online porn to you, then it's time to move on.

In a bind? Need some expert advice? E-mail your letters to Dr. Love at vcarts@zoo.uvm.edu

Jazz Group Plays Burlington Club Scene

By KATIE MONTICELLO

The We Be Bop Quintet, a jazz band of UVM students, performs at the Liquid Energy Café's "Liquid Lounge" Wednesday night.

Their show, open to music fans of all ages, usually begins at 9:30 p.m., and around 12:30 a.m. the band completes its last song.

The members of the quintet include Nate Vaughan on the tenor saxophone, Garrett Schmid on the guitar, Chris Gribnau on the trumpet, Brennan Mangan on the drums and Rob Duguay on the upright bass.

They met each other through UVM's music program and have been performing together for nearly two months.

Dan Lewin, bar manager and booking agent for the "Liquid Lounge," deemed the We Be Bop Quintet one of his venue's most popular performances. Commenting on the group's ability to draw a large crowd, Lewin stated, "I am completely blown away; they pack the place."

Lewin is constantly search-

ing for talent from all genres, accepting anyone who can be amusing and fill the stage for two

"Every Tuesday will be open mic night, and if I like what I hear, I'll book you for your own gig. I can't think of an act that I would turn down," he mentioned.

The We Be Bop Quintet is one band that certainly caught his attention. "They're a good band that deserves to be heard," praised

Tenor sax player Nate Vaughan spoke of his and the band's musical inspirations: "Me, personally, I listen to a lot of old jazz like John Coltrane, Sonny Rawlins and Dexter Gordon. Garrett's really into taking stuff out, listening to a lot of Herbie Hancock. A lot of our influences are from the old greats."

Vaughan mentioned that guitarist Garrett Schmid utilizes whole-tone scales diminished, which result in a jazzy sound that is "a little edgy, not totally main-

As of now, members of the band have written six original pieces, and they plan to write The We Be Bop Quintet Liquid Energy Café Wednesdays at 9:30

even more.

Their sound is comprised of old jazz standards mixed in with their own music, and Vaughan added, "Improv[isation] is what we do. We play the melody, but then everything else is from us."

Unique Bop style is shown by their immersion into each song's rhythm and spontaneous improvisation that Vaughan and the band truly love creating.

When asked what he'd do if he were rich and famous tomorrow, he replied, "I'd still be play-

The immediate future plans for the band are to compile a demo tape and gain studio time to mold and refine their sound.

Ultimately, the We Be Bop Quintet aims to produce a CD of their jazz.

Vaughan jokingly stated one of the goals for the jazz quintet: "We're going to take over the Burlington band scene."

Got Classes? Fall 2002 Course Registration Nears

With fall semester registration almost upon us, many UVM students are left asking a few questions like, "What classes are being offered?" and "What do you mean Pearl Harbor won an award!?"

After hearing many such questions, I set out to find the answers. After a quick nap and a bite to eat, I began my odyssey.

After asking many "average" UVM students about class registration, I was still sans information.

It was obvious that I had reached an impasse early in my research, but I still needed "information" or "news."

I headed down to the Bailey/Howe Library, confident I would find something about classes being offered this fall for my fellow members of the UVM community.

What I found was shocking. Not only did the library not have any information about fall class- Environmental Studies es, but I apparently owe \$5.60 for an overdue book!

I was directed to the Registrar's office homepage with the promise that, "...[I would] be able to find everything there."

After consulting the "Registration Schedule" of the website Registrar's (http://giraffe.uvm.edu/~rgweb/tt sched.html/), I found out that registration begins on April 8, 2002 and ends Sept. 9, 2002.

Graduate students register first, on April 8, followed by seniors, April 9, then juniors, April 10, then . . . you get the idea.

Registration takes place through the Registrar's Office

The Registrar's Office online is easy to navigate. Good job,

I then began to look for interesting classes. Here are just a few of the more interesting classes being offered:

Communication Sciences CMSI 296 Stuttering Boot Camp

Speech

SPCH 11 Effective Speaking SPCH 112 Argument and Discussion

This isn't really funny unless you are thinking of the hilarious situation where student X tries to skip CMSI 296 and goes right into SPCH 112.

Recreation Management RM 230 Ecotourism

Finally, a university is willing to tackle the controversial issue of ecotourism.

ENVS 179 Ecofeminism **ENVS 195 Environmental** Entrepreneurship

Be sensitive when exploiting the environment, and take classes on it as well.

Physical Education

PEAC 112 Golf 2 PEAC 199 Bowling 5-6

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Women's Studies WST 78 History of Costume

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ENG 122 Dante's Comedy

Hell. Ha ha ha!! Dante, always making me laugh!

So, before you register for classes, consider the aforementioned academic opportunities, and remember: anyone can register for classes, but it takes dedication to make a movie as bad as Pearl Harbor.

Cynic arts columnist Andrew Woods is a member of the Class of 2005.

"Kids in the Hall" Coming to **Burlington**

"The Kids in the Hall," the five-man Canadian sketch cometroupe, is coming to Burlington's Memorial Auditorium, one stop of its major Spring 2002 tour of North America.

The original cast, including Dave Foley, Bruce McCulloch, Kevin McDonald, McKinney and Scott Thompson, will perform.

They exploded onto the television comedy scene when their half-hour sketch comedy show debuted on HBO and the CBC concurrently in 1989.

The troupe will perform on Friday, April 12. Tickets are \$45.00 and \$39.50. They can be purchased through the Flynn Regional Box office at (802) 863-5966, as well as the Flynn Center box office, and at all Flynn regional box office outlets.

-Press Release



Catamount Sports

America East Rookie of the Week,

Mackenzie Dean who is second on

the team with eight points in two

year's team from the last. We only

lost one senior and we have a lot

of great new players. There are as

many new players as returning

players which really brings new

major, hopes to do some traveling

and field work after graduating.

Lamere, a Wildlife Biology

Andy Duback/VC Staff

LaMere with her weapon of choice.

life to the team."

"I see a big difference in this

the net.

NBA vs. NCAA LaMere Leads with Actions and Words



Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

FULL-COURT PRESS

Every March year becomes national bracket month. 'Sleepers' take on a new meaning other

than what you call those four guys who sit in the back of the lecture hall.

The NCAA tournament has

now come and gone, leaving me with a void to fill that fix of hoops I require. The NBA just doesn't do it for me; it is just a cheap substitute for the real thing.

Just last week I had the chance to take in a game, Philadelphia at Boston, and it reminded me of why I can only watch the highlights on Sportscenter.

Every play is broken down like this: Whoever has the biggest salary on the court gets the ball and tries to break down his defender one-on-one while the four other guys just stand around the perimeter with their hands on their hips watching.

Maybe I am just old school and like to see ball movement, screens and hustle, I don't know.

If the ball handler gets in trouble, he kicks it out and makes a career for guys like Steve Kerr.

Maybe I am just old school and like to see ball movement, screens and hustle. I don't know.

How can you honestly call them professionals? It seems like almost every other night someone is throwing a punch, taking a cheap shot or riffling the ball at someone's head, a.k.a. Jermaine O'Neal, Kobe Bryant, Kenyon Martin, Corliss Williamson, Reggie Miller, the list goes on.

It is sad when the coflege kids have a higher maturity level than these overpaid grown men. The NBA has their best of seven series in the playoffs, where the only exciting game is game seven, who really cares about the first six? Oh, and they are even more exciting when a team either sweeps or wins a series 4-1. March Madness brings that sudden death atmosphere, where it is one loss and your done.

Even though no sixteenth seed has ever won, the Siena's and Winthrop's of the world get a chance to get in over some higher profile names such as Memphis or Syracuse. Do you think the NBA would ever say "Well Seattle, your record is good enough for the seventh playoff spot, but instead I think we will give it to Golden State this year and give them a chance." Any way I look at it, it is just not the same.

I would rather see Tom Coverdale hobbling around on the sideline with his jersey still on, ankle all in a cast, cheering on his team, than Allen Iverson in street clothes, not paying attention while showing off his bling bling.

And this is why for me, basketball is over for the season.

By SCOTT WOODRUFF

The University of Vermont owes the head coach of the C.W. Baker High School Girl's Lacrosse team a thank-you letter. It was he who introduced Courtney LaMere to the sport of lacrosse in fifth grade, and she hasn't slowed down since.

LaMere, a senior attack wing for the Women's Lacrosse team is an offensive whirlwind who sees the entire field and the back of the net. For example: She scored seven goals in a triple overtime win against Central Connecticut University last year.

"That was a great game," Lamere recalls. "We just kept going back and forth with the goals and before I knew it, the game was over and I had scored seven goals. It was a lot of fun."

Perhaps what makes LaMere a great player is her leadership on the field. Her status as a second year tri-captain is one that she holds very highly and takes very seriously. In a recent game against Howard which involved UVM building a double-digit lead, LaMere noticed a lack of spark in her team with such a lead. So she stole the ball at midfield and went all the way down by herself and scored. The crowd went wild and all her teammates immediately got back into the game and forgot the scoreboard.

"Over the past four years, I have become a much more vocal leader," she says. "I never used to talk at all, and now I just babble away the whole game. I just made a conscious decision to be different and do what it takes to bring the team up and win."

It seems to be working. This year the Lady Cats are 2-0, their best start to a season since 1994. Last year they won only three games all season long.

The hot start might have

Second Half Proves to be the Difference for Men's Lacrosse

MENS'S LACROSSE

Phil McKnight scored three goals and added an assist as the University of Vermont Men's Lacrosse team blew open a tight game with 10 second-half goals in a non-league win over Siena Wednesday night at Union College.

The win was the second in a row for the Catamounts, who are now 3-4 overall heading into their America East opener Saturday at Stony Brook.

The two teams played to a 2-2 halftime tie before Vermont scored four unanswered goals in the third period and added six more tallies in the fourth.

RJ Harrison contributed two goals and two assists for Coach Steve Beville's team, while Myles Jewell had two goals and an assist.

In net, Ed Burns made eight

Sollins to Compete in NCAAs -

LaMere...is an offensive University of Vermont men's whirlwind who sees the gymnast Elie Sollins will compete entire field and the back of in the 2002 NCAA Gymnastics Championships at the University something to do with the fact that of Oklahoma on April 4-6 Sollins, LaMere leads the team with eight a freshman, qualified in the still goals and three assists. Lamere rings, and will be only the second also gives credit to the freshmen UVM gymnast to participate in the class which includes last week's NCAA Championships.

> Former standout Heidi Allen '94 competed in the NCAA Championships in vaulting in both 1993 and 1994.

> The NCAA Championships will cap off a brilliant year for Sollins, who has moved into the all-time top 10 at UVM in the rings and vault while rewriting the freshman record book.

At the ECAC Championships last weekend, Sollins scored an 8.10 and helped the Catamounts post a season-best score in the

Sollins is UVM's freshman record-holder in the event, and earned the #2 seed among individuals in the national competition.

He will be paired with the fourth-ranked team in the country, the University of Illinois, at the NCAAs.

Elie found out about being invited to the NCAAs less than a week before the competition itself. He will leave for Oklahoma on Tuesday.

"Elie has dominated the still rings competition this year, and he was the top scorer on the team in every meet," UVM coach Gary

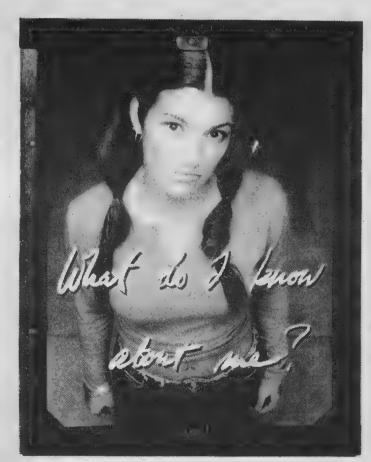


Photo Courtesy of Heidi Breuning Freshman Elie Sollins will be UVM's first NCAA Championship competitior in eight years. He is shown here on the still-rings.

Bruening said. "With the new rule changes, strength became a necessary and dominant feature on still rings, and this has worked to Elie's advantage. He is the stronges. still-ring performer at UVM since UVM great Frank Zavitkovsky

"There are very few gymnasts: in the country who can match Elie's strength on rings," Bruening

"This is a great moment for the UVM gymnastics program. 1 couldn't be prouder of our team and of Elie. It is such an honor to have a gymnast qualify for the NCAA Championships, and now the task is to help him compete to his potential."



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Miller K's 14; UVM Wins 2-1

Freshman Derek Miller struck out 14 in eight strong innings to lead Vermont to a 2-1 win over Yale at Yale Field on Friday afternoon.

Miller (2-0) allowed just four hits while walking only one in picking up his second straight victory.

Justin Bissonnette and Andy Kumming (second save in as many days) pitched a scoreless ninth as the Catamounts won for the third game in a row and their fourth in the last five.

Vermont's strong pitching has



Photo Courtesy of Sports Info Jeff Barry is hitting .435 through 11 games this season.

BASEBALL

been the key as they have allowed just five runs in the modest threegame win streak.

Over Miller's last three outings, all UVM wins, the left-hander from Pelham, NH has struck out 30 in 19 innings while walking only eight. In this stretch, he has allowed only 10 hits and three earned runs for a sparkling 1.39 ERA.

Vermont was first to get on the board with a run in the top of the fourth. With one out, Jeff Barry walked and stole second before Jeff Tarigo doubled him home.

The Bulldogs answered in their half of the frame as Randy Leonard led with a walk and came home on Chris Elkins' double.

The Cats took the lead in the seventh as Tarigo reached on a two-base error to open the inning. He was sacrificed to third by Derek Root and scored on a single by Nick Roberts.

With the win, Vermont improves to 6-7.

Craig Breslow was the tough luck loser for Yale (3-10) as he too pitched a gem allowing only three hits through eight innings.

Cycling Club Succeeds in Trip South

BY MATT MONTROSS

The University of Vermont's Cycling Club has completed their annual Spring Break trip to Georgia and is getting ready to host National Collegiate Cycling Championship here in Burlington from May 10-12.

The team took a trip down South to Lehigh, PA and Lancaster, PA, as they were anxious to get some warmer weather mileage. Saturday's race hosted by Lehigh University saw UVM's Mike Cody in a breakaway group ahead of the main field, only to have a flat tire foil his chances for victory.

Sunday's race was the Tour de Hempfield hosted by UVM in Lancaster, PA.

"The reason for hosting this smaller race early in the season in Pennsylvania rather than Vermont is the unpredictability of Vermont weather," said coach and Nationals promoter Jason Baer.

"Lancaster provides a great area for us to hold a race early season on the way to our usual training camp we have in Georgia," he added.

Between two weekends of racing, the team enjoyed the warmer Georgia climate with the most notable ride being a 115



Photo Courtesy of UVM Cycling

The UVM Cycling Club rides with pride.

mile epic ride over seven mountain gaps.

The trip took most riders between eight and nine hours to complete as the conditions worsened to a torrential downpour later in the day.

UVM was able to capture its first Mens A race win in 7 years when sophomore Kevin Bouchard-Hall sprinted across the line at Tufts and Northeastern.

"I felt really good, and I'm glad I could do so well after being tired from riding so hard during the week," said Bouchard-Hall.

The last day of racing was an individual time trial in Concord, MA. UVM's best finishers came from Mens C riders Ryan McKown who finished third and Dan Cassidy who finished 7th.



Men Slammed by Williams; Fall to 4-7

MEN'S TENNIS

Vermont fell to a strong Williams squad by the score of 6-1. Picking up the lone win for the Catamounts was Johann Liljengren.

SINGLES: 1.Josh Lefkowitz (W) def. Zeljko Knezevic (UVM), 6-1, 6-3; 2.David Frankel (W) def.

Joshua London (UVM), 6-1, 7-6; 3.Milos Janicek (W) def. Dmitri Eguer (UVM), 5-7, 6-3,6-4; DOUBLES: 1.Frankel/Lefkowitz (W) def. London/Liljengren (UVM), 8-4; 2.Haywood/Janicek (W) def. Knezevic/Spring (UVM), 8-5; 3. Murray/Urban (W) def. Cooper/Eguer (UVM), 8-4

Crew Club Ready to Row

By FRED CASTIGLIA

This spring, watch out for the Crew Club. Their season has just begun and they are \$31,074 richer.

Recently, the SGA announced that the Crew Club would be receiving the fifth largest amount of funding of any other of the over 90 clubs here at UVM.

That makes one wonder, what is crew and why does it deserve so much money? Crew is a sport that puts two, four, or eight people into a boat and has them row against other boats in a race to the finish line. The Crew Club is broken down into a male and female category and then into a varsity or novice division. They can be found practicing at the Lamoille River, just north of Burlington.

Crew seems like a relatively simple sport, but that couldn't be further from the truth. As Owen Caron, a novice rower for the men's team, put it, "While you are in the middle of a 5000 meter race, and you get tired, you can't just say, 'I am tired, I want to stop.' You have to push through with the whole team. Everyone in the boat works together."

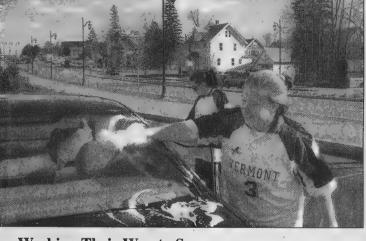
Unlike other club sport that may need only minimum funding, the Crew Team has a long list of expenses. The boats can cost around \$30,000, but oars are needed as well as trailers and other equipment for the boats, only a few more of the operating costs the team experiences.

Does rowing a boat warrant that kind of money? "Crew is a lot of fun. It teaches commitment and team unity, but the boats cost an arm and a leg," commented a member of the club. This past spring break, the club made a trip down to Augusta, Georgia. They enjoyed the warmer climate and began their first on water practices of the season.

"The amount of time down on the water during one week in Georgia will be more training time than we will get all regular season," commented Molly Superchi. The team is now done with indoor practice and anxious to get the season started. Last Wednesday, for the first time this season, they started practicing on Vermont water.

Even if you have never rowed before, joining the team is easy. Most new recruits have never had previous rowing experience.

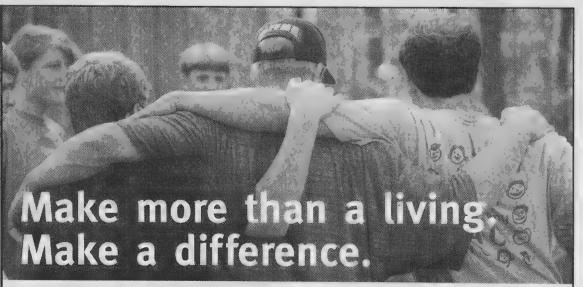
So if you feel that you are committed to getting fit and have got what it takes to row for twenty minutes straight and are ready to join a fun team, then give crew a try.



Washing Their Way to Success

Andy Duback/VC Staff

The Women's Lacrosse emjoyed the beautiful weather on Saturday during their carwash fundraiser.



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What's Happening

Calendar of Events, April 2-8

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Midnight to 11:59 p.m. EVENT: "Sacred Fire," A Sacred Healing and Cleansing Fire for survivors of sexual violence and their friends, family, and allies will burn continuously until the end of the Take Back The Night march on April 4. Join us at anytime, day or night, in the spirit of healing, to build community among survivors who often feel isolated and alone. Women's Center. Information: Stephanie Morgan, 656-4637, mailto:stephanie.morgan@uvm.edu

2 p.m. to 4 p.m. CLASS: "Dining with Diabetes" (series concludes on April 2). Centers for Living and Rehabilitation Room, 160 Hospital Drive, Bennington. \$10 (unless income eligible). Information: Sally Cleveland, UVM Extension, Howe Center Business Park, 1 Scale Avenue, Unit 55, Rutland, (802) 773-3349 or 1-800-281-6977 x11, mailto:sally.cleveland@uvm.edu.

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. COMMUNITY MEDICAL SCHOOL "Fear Tactics: New Scientific Techniques for Understanding PTSD and Related Disorders," William Falls, Psychology. Carpenter Auditorium, Given Building. Information and registration: 847-2886 or visit http://www.med.uvm.edu/do_all_links.asp?SiteAreaID=279.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Midnight to 11:59 p.m. EVENT: "Sacred Fire," A Sacred Healing and Cleansing Fire for survivors of sexual violence and their friends, family, and allies will burn continuously until the end of the Take Back The Night march on April 4. Join us at anytime, day or night, in the spirit of healing, to build community among survivors who often feel isolated and alone. Women's Center. Information: Stephanie Morgan, 656-4637, mailto:stephanie.morgan@uvm.edu

8 a.m. to 10 a.m. WORKSHOP: "When LGBTQA People Need YOUR Help," presented by Dorothea Brauer, LGBTQA Services Coordinator, and Kevin Gallagher, Chair of Vermont Board of Allied Mental Health Professionals. Focusing on sexual harrassment of LGBTQA people in public schools, agencies, and other work settings. Memorial Lounge, Waterman Building. Please RSVP to Rose Mary Graveline, 656-3888 or mailto:cslgprog@zoo.uvm.edu.

Noon to 1 p.m. WORKSHOP: "Doing What You Are: Finding The Right Career Fit," Diane S. Freiheit, Employee Assistance Program. Having a career that is the right fit with your personality can lead to greater satisfaction. An opportunity to determine your personality type and find out which careers are best. UVM affiliates only by preregistration. Grace Coolidge Room, Waterman Building. Information: 656-2100.

4 p.m. to 5 p.m. EVENT: WOMEN'S LACROSSE: Vs. St. Michael's. Centennial Field.

7:30 p.m. PERFORMANCE: Faculty Recital: Faculty Piano Quartet, Southwick Music Complex Recital Hall.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Noon to 1 p.m. FILM: "The Lynchburg Story," addresses the fact that between 1927-1972 the state of Virginia allowed for the sterilization of over 8,000 children and teenagers because they were considered a financial burden on the state. Part of the social justice and multicultural issues film series. 104 Allen House, 461 Main Street. Please register for seating. Information: Willie Cruz, 656-7990, mailto:learning@ced.uvm.edu

12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. SEMINAR: "Measuring the Impacts of Climate Change." Robert Mendelsohn, Yale University. Global Climate Change Seminar Series. Room 104 Aiken Center. Information 656-3269.

4:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. WORKSHOP: "Flower Arranging," by Kimiko Yumoto, Japanese Language Program. Nominal fee for flowers collected at workshop. Registration required. B180 Living/Learning Center. Information: 656-1117 or mailto:mmcorson@zoo.uvm.edu.

6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. EVENT: "Take Back The Night," An annual march to take back the streets of Burlington and make them safe. Meet at the Women's Center and march to Burlington City Hall to speak out against sexual violence. Women's Center. Information: Stephanie Morgan, 656-4637, mailto:stephanie.morgan@uvm.edu

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. FILM: "Buena Vista Social Club." An intoxicating documentary captures the rehearsals, recording sessions and performances of several giants of Cuban son music, a popular form that dates back to the 1930's. Director: Wim Wender, Germany/USA/France/Cuba, 1999, 101min.. In Spanish with English subtitles. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 802-656-3196, mailto:romlang@zoo.uvm.edu, or visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EVENT: Coping with Separation and Divorce Parenting seminar. Windham Family Court, Brattleboro. \$20 payable in Family Court Manager's Office 5 working days before class. Information: Arlene Conant, UVM Extension, P.O. Box 8, Randolph Center, (802) 728-1581 or 1-800-698-1581, mailto:arlene.conant@uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/extension/cope/.

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. WORKSHOP: Zen Calligraphy Demonstration by Zen Master, Keidou Fukushima, Tofukuji Monastery, Kyoto, Japan. Room 101, Fleming Museum. ADA: Sue Pochop, 656-3166. Information: Kevin Trainor, 656-0799 or William Paden, 656-0232.

2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EVENT: WOMEN'S LACROSSE: Vs. UNH. America East Game. Centennial Field.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. SERVICE: Taize Prayer Service, an ecumenical prayer service with music from the Taize community in France. Catholic Center, Redstone Campus. Information: 862-8403 or mailto:catholic@zoo.uvm.edu or visit http://homepages.together.net/~cathuvm/taize2.html.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. WORKSHOP: "Getting Started with Sheep." Maintenance Building, Windham Foundation, Grafton. Registration: \$5 by April 29. Information: Lynn Richardson, UVM Extension, 278 South Main Street, Suite 2, St. Albans, (802) 524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130, mailto:lynn.richardson@uvm.edu,

7:30 p.m. PERFORMANCE: University Concert Choir, Verdi "Requiem" Ira Allen Chapel.

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

3 p.m. to 5 p.m. CLASS: "Mothers and Daughters Reunion," The class Mothers and Daughters WST 84/95 is celebrating 15 years of exploring the wonders of being mothers and daughters and welcomes all class alumnae to a reunion where elegant tea and sweets will be served as we share how the class has touched our lives. Women's Center. Information: Pat Fontaine, 879-3533, mailto:pfont@together.net

3:00 p.m. PERFORMANCE: Vermont Wind Ensemble, Southwick Music Complex Recital Hall.

MONDAY, APRIL 8

Noon to 1 p.m. SEMINAR: "The genetic basis and pathogenesis of familial hypertrophic cardiomyopathy," Dr. Robert Roberts, Chief of Cardiology, Baylor College of Medicine. Room 400, Health Science Research Facility. Information 656-2540.

12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. LECTURE: "Is Zinc Status a Critical Determinant of the Optimal Nutrition of Vitamins A and E?" Dr. Sung Koo, Kansas State University. Dr. Koo is a candidate for the position of department chairperson in Nutrition and Food Sciences at UVM. Lecture in Terrill Hall 108 and open to the public. Information: 656-0321

3:30 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. LECTURE: "The Environmental Justice Designation Bill in Massachusetts," Lisa Goldman Huertas, Alternatives for Community and Environment (ACE). Part of the ENVS Seminar Series on Environmental Justice and Natural Assets. Kalkin 001. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176, mailto:egetchel@zoo.uvm.edu.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. EXHIBIT: Exhibition of Works from Classes of Students in Art Education. Schedule runs April 8 - 19. Francis Colburn Gallery, Williams Hall. Information: Art Department, Nadine Carpenter, 656-2014 or mailto:ncarpent@zoo.uvm.edu.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. SEMINAR: "Renewable Energy and the Design Science Revolution," Greg Watson, Massachusetts Technology Collaborative. Environmental Literacy Seminars. Campus Center Theatre, Billings Student Center. Information: Alan McIntosh, 656-4057.

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Student Leaders Gather for Conference in Billings



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Princess Wood shows support for the Advocats at the Leadership Conference held Saturday afternoon in Billings Student Center.

By DAMON LUCIANO

Roughly 300 student leaders attended UVM's third annual Student Leaders Conference on Saturday where they listened to Motivational Speaker Nancy Hunter Denny and participated in a festive drumming session led by Dew B. Wylde.

The Conference, which was intensely upbeat, was geared towards getting student leaders psyched up for their new responsibilities through a series of motivational events, allowing them to network, and promoting school spirit

According to Jill Hoppenjans, Coordinator of Student Leaders, "It's a great opportunity for the University to show its commitment to student leaders and to promote leadership on campus."

Hoppenjans thinks the event was a success. "Students were

By LISEL RICHARDS

Department of Residential Life at

UVM, in cooperation with the stu-

dent group, Lesbian, Gay,

Ouestioning, Intersex & Allies

(LGBTQIA), will establish a sub-

section of a floor of a residence

hall exclusively for gay and les-

Area Coordinator for the first-year

experience, "At this point, the

only idea is to create a floor simi-

lar to that of the Peace and Justice

floor, or Substance Free floors,

that already exist within Special

According to Kathy Cook,

Bisexual,

bian students.

Next academic year, the

Transgender.

cynical about coming here," she said, especially since the Conference began at 8:30 a.m.

Despite some cynicism, Hoppenjans added that, "Students came and they had a good time. And they thought about leadership and their roles as student leaders in a new way."

She also thinks the Conference helps student leaders to think of their roles in a larger sense than they may otherwise.

"Do Orientation Leaders have a role outside the month of June?" she asked.

"We, as administrators, think they do and we want them to talk and think about that and then decide for themselves what role they will play on campus."

First-year student Laura Sforza said she had a good time at the Conference, and thinks it helped increase school spirit

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UVM To Offer "LGBTQIA

Friendly" Housing

University Chooses To Reallocate Athletic Resources

By SCOTT WOODRUFF

Last fall, the face of University of Vermont athletics changed dramatically as the Athletic Department cut five varsity programs and pulled funding from others.

Budget cuts totaling almost one million dollars over the past ten years have forced the University to make these unfavorable decisions.

This was all in an effort to reinvest the current resources that UVM has in order to improve other current athletic programs.

The University has divided up all its programs and teams into three tiers where the top teams, which are in the third and highest tier, will receive the most financial attention.

The second two tiers are those programs that either will no longer be funded by the university or will receive minimum funding but still maintain their NCAA status.

Teams in the third tier include Men's Hockey, Men's and Women's Basketball and Men's Soccer.

"An institution's image can be enhanced through its athletic programs," said UVM's Athletic Director Dick Farmham.

"And everything that's good about UVM should be taken even further than that. UVM holds its 'An institution's image can be enhanced through it's athletic programs.'

-Dick Farmham Athletic Director

hat on its athletic program as being an attractive place for quality student athletes."

Farmham takes pride in having student-athletes with some of the highest GPA's in the nation and a consistent graduation rate on-all of the teams.

Academic excellence by student athletes unfortunately does not translate into enough funding for each program to be competitive in its respective sport in its respective conference.

Resources were reallocated from programs that were not as successful, and that did not receive as much public attention, to programs in the "third tier."

"At the top tier level, you should try to get the most quality notoriety out of those programs as you can through being successful," said Farmham, "meaning good public relations, good community support and student support through participation.

"You' want to try and do everything you can within the realm of resources that you have."

Despite being 3-1 for the season, the Women's Lacrosse team

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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Men's Ice Hockey has 18 scholarship players.



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Men's Basketball has a large fan following after their successful 2001/2002 season.

Sexual Violence Awareness Month Kicked Off With March and Sacred Fire

By AMANDA SARGENT

Sexual Violence Awareness Month was officially kicked off Thursday by a fire which burned for four days in front of the UVM Women's Center, and the seventh annual march titled, "Take Back the Night."

The Women's Rape Crisis Center, in coordination with UVM Women's Center, put on both of these events to protest sexual violence and put an end to the fear that surrounds it.

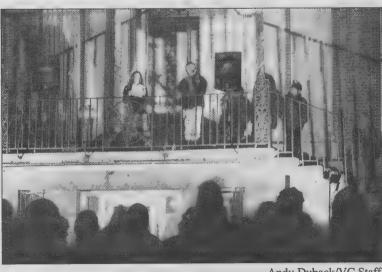
The events lasted one and a half hours and were attended by approximately 200 students and members of the Burlington community.

Survivors of sexual violence ended the march with a speak-out on the steps of City Hall, telling their personal stories of victimization

AnnMarie Peavey, Complex Coordinator of Living and Learning and marcher, said there is a "silence that shrouds violence.

"Any time we can empower students, it is to the benefit."

The march was well-attended by both men and women, especially as it moved from campus to



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A speak out against sexual violence was just one of the events during "Take Back the Night" march.

the downtown area.

Ashley Warren, an Outright Vermont work study student for UVM who attended the event said, "Men should be knockin' down the door to help this cause."

The Philanthropy Chair of Phi Delta Theta, Brian Carnahan, said he had sent out an e-mail to his fraternity brothers before the march, telling the brothers that by showing up they can "show our support as guys who care."

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Interest Housing."
Programs within Living and
Learning have existed that provided a non-hostile environment, but
this is the first time the University

will designate a segment of a resident hall exclusively for non-heterosexual students.

According to Cook, "The need for change within the housing polices arose when a gay male student requested to live with a straight female.

"All the current practices and policies in regard to housing assume the students are heterosexual," said Cook.

"The goal of the program is to have housing on campus that truly accommodates students' needs for housing, regardless of their sexual orientation."

The program will allow residents to build a support community, but it does give rise to concerns about safety and other issues.

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Campus Must Not Overlook Rape

To the Editor:

With all the focus on marijuana and the ISO, the campus turns a blind eye to a much more serious problem: rape.

Recently, a friend of mine who is an RA was at a party on campus and was drinking. She was raped by another person at that party. When she reported this to the authorities, she lost her position as an RA, had to find a new place to live (for the drinking), and nothing happened to the guy who raped her.

He's still living in his old room and hasn't had any consequences. How's that for justice? While this incident in itself is

disturbing, what really bothers me and should bother everyone in our community, is that this is certainly not the first time that I've heard of incidents exactly like

In another incident I heard of, the girl got fined \$300 for drinking and nothing happened to the guy, AGAIN!

It is time for the powers that be to get their heads out of the sand and stop punishing women for coming forward after they have been raped! After all, it could be them the next time.

> Zach Holz Class of 2005

SGA Voter Apathy An Issue

Even though the voter turnout had been higher for the Student Government Association Presidential election than in recent years, voter apathy is still a major problem on UVM's campus.

With SGA Senate elections occurring on Wednesday and Thursday, it is expected to have a low voter turnout as well.

The question is why? These elections put students in office that have power and control over hundreds of thousands of dollars, can suspend or grant a student organization recognition, and are representatives to the administration for all students at UVM.

With the advent of a new University President, students, especially SGA members can play more of a major role in decisions at this University.

For those reasons, it is important that all students elect these Senators, and not just a handful of friends and members of the

It has been shown in our nation's senate and government that voter apathy can have negative consequences, including the

wrong choices and scandals from those "elected officials."

As a University, we need to be aware and knowledgeable about who is charge of what around here.

If the wrong people get the power and control of certain things, such as money, than things that you don't want to happen

The SGA Senate is supposed to be a representation of the student body, so make sure that's true.

Find a candidate that you think will be a good Senator and support him, and tell friends and neighbors on why they should become aware and involved in this election.

It doesn't cost any money or a lot of time to vote, and it's our right as students and members of this community to do so.

Don't just waste your opportunity to make a statement about how you think this SGA should be run.

Make your statement Wednesday and Thursday at the polls.

Rough and Tumble

One of UVM's sophomore gymnasts will likely transfer to New Jersey's Rutgers University next year.

Rutgers has a gymnastics team. UVM does not.

Despite beginning to be completely comfortable with her environment at UVM, this gymnast knows the sacrifice she needs to make.

If she wishes to pursue her acrobatic passion henceforth, UVM is not an option.

And she is just one of four students from the now defunct UVM gymnastics team who may ultimately transfer out for gymnastics' sake.

Transferring to Rutgers ensures her a position on its very good gymnastics team as well as enrollment in the much cheaper

UVM is a far too expensive school not to boast a varied roster of varsity sports teams. But UVM sees no shame in this practice.

One particularly frustrating and significant statistic, if the four gymnasts do transfer, the combined tuition loss equals the total amount of money needed to fund the entire gymnastics team.

Yet the money that once went to funding the UVM gymnastics team as well as the

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other now disbanded UVM athletic teams does still exist.

The dispersal of these teams was not a simple matter of diminished dollars; rather, the money that once went to such extinct teams will promptly be distributed among the other more popular, well-attended UVM sports teams.

Instead of offering a range of athletics, UVM chooses to capitalize on the big guns and lose any potential gymnastics recruits for years to come.

But in addition to squandering away its prospective student gymnasts, UVM is also shedding some of its distinctiveness.

Often a pioneer in its own right, UVM is currently acting as a follower as opposed to a leader, cutting gymnastics in sync with a

However, UVM is perpetually conscientious that sports like hockey and basketball remain at the forefront of financial support and publicity.

Sure, gymnasts may be able to contort themselves in ways seemingly impossible to carry out with a human skeletal structure, but rarely do the gymnasts physically fight with each other.

And hey, after all, blood bounces on ice. If you are a graduate or undergraduate student at the University of Vermont and are interested in writing, photography or

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Case Against ISO Has Major Flaws

To the Editor:

By now most of you know of the ongoing battle between the ISO and the SGA. Tonight, the SGA Senate will consider whether or not to derecognize the ISO for its decision to cancel a meeting after members decided that they considered Jon Kantor's presence threatening.

However, the case against the ISO is full of holes. The SGA claims that the ISO broke Article VI, Section 9 of the SGA Constitution, which states that "no club may discriminate against any student in membership or participation on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, creed, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, age, class, or

Never has the ISO excluded anyone, including Jon Kantor, on any of the above stated measures. If any discrimination did in fact occur, it was not on the basis of Kantor's political views but rather because ISO members found his presence emotionally and possibly physically threatening.

Does the SGA constitution really wish to imply that an ALANA group must, under any circumstances, continue to hold a meeting at which Klan members are present?

Additionally, the constitution states that a group cannot discriminate against a student seeking "membership or participation." Jon states in his testimony that he did not wish either of these ends; instead, he wanted to simply observe and take notes for a class project. Students, in fact, need formal permission for this sort of research on human subjects.

Finally, the SGA alleges that the ISO has broken a Vermont Open Meeting Law which states that "all meetings of a public body are declared to be open to the public at all times." However, the definition of a public meeting is "any board, council or commission of the state or one or more of its political subdivisions." The ISO does not fall into any of these categories. It is therefore not a public body, for it is not accountable to a public constituency.

Anyone concerned about defending our collective right to speak without harassment, please show your support for the ISO at the hearing tonight in Marsh Lounge in Billings at 8:30 p.m.

> Dan Traum Class of 2005



SGA Senate Decision May Set a Dangerous Precedent for UVM



Brandon Johnson
Cynic Columnist

UVM is unfortunately on the edge of setting a dangerous precedent.

The SGA will hear a petition to suspend the ISO tonight. But

this is more about the rest of campus than just the ISO.

You've probably heard of the case by now. The ISO cancelled one of its private study groups when members did not wish to be intimidated by the right-wing Cynic columnist who has a long history of documented harassment.

For this grievous atrocity, the ISO was originally, and still

could be, sentenced to suspension and forced to forfeit the balance of their funding for next year.

But this was not the true crime of the ISO. No, they were guilty of something far different. They are guilty of being against Bush's war drive. That is their sole crime.

For this, for being outside of the political mainstream, and worse, for being confident and active with their ideas, the ISO has been targeted by rightwingers who swing power at this university.

At stake, though, is more than one club's standing with the SGA. At stake is whether we at this university will let groups be silenced for not agreeing with the administration's line. Clubs that question the drug policies at UVM may suffer campaigns against them. Women's groups that get too loud may be intimidated to silence.

If the ISO gets suspended for its crime of being against the war, UVM will set the precedent that it can expel any commentary it deems unfit.

Clubs that question the drug policies at UVM, for instance, may suffer campaigns against them. Women's groups that get too loud may be intimidated into silence

Minority groups of all stripes should be on the alert; the attack to suspend the ISO is an attack on all who wish to question or issent.

And this is not just going on at UVM. Across the country the right wing has been emboldened by Washington's crackdown on so-called "unpatriotic" behavior.

Attacking dissenters comes in many forms. It comes when Dick Cheney's wife holds up lists of university professors who somehow "aren't patriotic enough."

It also comes from members of the Heritage Foundation—a right wing thinktank—whose membership includes people like Ann Coulter, who insists that "We need to execute John Walker in order to physically intimidate liberals by making them realize that they can be killed, too."

But what we must realize is

that Ann Coulter not only wants to intimidate "liberals" from arguing for a stop to the war; Coulter also wants these "liberals" to stay silent on all issues from budget cuts, to gay rights, to everything else.

Now Heritage Foundation goons want to take on the ISO at UVM and intimidate every other dissenter on campus.

It won't work. Dissenters will never be silenced. Minority voices must be heard and will always find a way to break through attempts to suppress them.

So, if you want to preserve this freedom of expression and ensure the presence of alternative viewpoints on campus, come to the SGA meeting tonight at 8:30 in Marsh Lounge in Billings and say "No" to suspending the ISO.

Rep. Zuckerman Explains Progressive Politics



David Zuckerman
Guest Columnist

Occasionally, I le hear rumors on a campus about when a t Hear rumors is stand for and the even what we woted for. It's peasy for misinformation to

spread, so I want to take this opportunity to clear up what are clearly some mispercep-

The majority of these concerns are about the housing laws in Burlington and what Progressives have done in relation to affordable and safe housing, as well as the issue regarding limits on numbers of unrelated adults living together.

First of all, I want to make sure that everyone at UVM realizes that all five Progressive City Councilors voted against the four unrelated adults restrictions.

It seems to be that everyone thinks that Progressives pushed it through. Quite the contrary. Progressive Councilors voted against it for a number of reasons. Some thought that it was discriminatory, and others thought that it would create an even greater prob-

lem as far as apartment vacancy and higher prices. The vote was 8-6 with all Independents, all Republicans and all but one Democrat supporting the restric-

Progressives have always pushed hard for affordable and quality housing issues.

We have pushed the University to build more apartment-style housing (the more beds on and off campus, the less pressure for rents to go up).

The City, under the direction of Mayor Peter Clavelle, has nearly doubled (from 1999 to 2001) the budget for the building inspector to make apartments safer. That's an enormous commitment to get rid of slumlord management.

We have also changed the building code to require hard-wired smoke detectors. This should help to dramatically reduce the dangers for renters.

Lastly, Progressives have never had the majority (as was rumored during the last city Council election)

We have fought for great, even radical, issues and have always brought along other councilors to get our agenda passed.

We fight hardest for environmental protection, a woman's right to choose, safe affordable housing, a livable wage and your right to vote as new residents in Burlington.

UVM students, like all Burlington residents, have always been an important and considerable force on political issues in Burlington.

Your ongoing organizing, debating and action are needed now just as much as before.

A vibrant, healthy debate with divergent opinions is the core of our community.

Stand up and demand new housing to drive rents down; demand safer housing from your landlords. Work hard to register your fellow students to vote to increase the student voice.

Your vote can give Progressives the support we need to address these and other important issues. And finally, call your City Councilor or State Representative directly to make sure your individual voice is heard, whether you agree with his/her position or not.

Zuckerman is a state representative from Burlington.

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Vote This Week and Empower Student Senate



Jon Kantor Cynic Columnist

The Student Government Senatorial elections are this Wednesday and Thursday. As students

are all stakeholders in Student Our Government and have a civic responsibility to

The student leaders that we elect are responsible for budgeting over seven hundred thousand dollars on behalf of the students.

Their leadership extends past fiscal concerns and administrative management to being willing to seek out the concerns of all of the students, not just the loudest

One Senator challenged me, when I criticized SGA, to look at the good that they do.

She mentioned that it was a shame that the only time they get press is when they make mistakes.

It is the unfortunate nature of government and business to Student Government can do more. We've elected the right leadership, now let's elect the right Senators and get to work.

receive only criticism for your mistakes and never get praise for your successes

outgoing Student Government has accomplished much in the past year.

They've coordinated academic restructuring of the University with the administration.

They raised over twenty thousand dollars under UVM Cares in the wake of Sept. 11.

They are currently coordinating the alternative 4/20 day. They are working closely with Police Services to ensure a better relationship between students and police.

They've kept incoming President Fogel in touch with student concerns and have accomplished much, much more.

Although they haven't pleased all the students all the time, overall they should be congratulated.

Our SGA has been crucial to supporting the mainstream political voices that are beginning to make themselves heard on cam-

The newly SGA sponsored UVM College Republicans and the UVM College Democrats announced their presence loudly with their first event, the panel "US Foreign Policy, the Arab-Israeli War, and Strategies for

This panel was threatened by a paid activist/leader of a segment of the campus Left before it started. It wouldn't have gone as smoothly as it did without the support of the members of Student Government who heard about the planned disruption and attended the panel.

The student-activists who showed up ignored the paid activist's instructions and acted respectfully towards their fellow students and members of the fac-

This showed that we as students and leaders can be better than those that try to incite us.

We can be better than the petty

faculty members and activists that want to use us for their own battles. We can think for ourselves.

Senate can do more. We are one of the few state universities that does not fully subsidize our ROTC students. How much better off would they be with SGA's advocacy?

Senate can do more. Why not advocate for the expansion of the Military Studies Program and coordinating the triumphant return of Navy/Marine Corp ROTC to UVM as another option for students who wish to serve?

Senate can do more. Why not get a nationally prominent and recognized speaker like former Secretary of State Eagleburger every year? Why not write an SGA Corner in the Cynic?

These are all things that can happen with the right leadership and the right senate.

With Badaracco and Wells in place we have the right leadership.

Now let's finish what we started. Elect some Senators and let's get to work.

Important | Questions

To the Editor

1.) Why is the cut-through between Gutterson Field House and Redstone Campus always gated off?

2.) Why is the food on campus so terrible? The fruit is never ripe, or good. The roast beef and turkey taste the same.

3.) Why do year-long parking permits cost a very affordable \$102.00 while tickets for parking at a fed meter cost \$30 and virtually everywhere else costs \$50?

4.) What does UVM stand for? I had to throw this one in because only about 20% of UVM students can answer. Universitas Virdis Montis.

5.) Whose fault is it that UVM academics has dropped 25 spots among public universities the last three years?

6.) Why has there been recent talk to quell the April 20 gathering? It is a festival of peace that certainly does not need to be regulated by; authorities.

> Adam Oransky, Class of 2003

Free Israel From Arafat's Terror

To the Editor:

Our Middle East policy is both wrong and hypocritical. We are at war with terrorism, whether from Al Qaeda, Iraq, or Hezbollah. Since Sept. 11, America's eyes have been opened to the terrorism and violence that occur every day for Israelis.

America has sent troops 9,000 miles to exterminate a den of evil in Afghanistan, yet we forbid Israel to eliminate terror in her backyard. It is time to let Prime Minister Sharon accomplish what he was overwhelmingly elected to do: extinguish the fundamentalist terrorists that kill women and children in daily suicide bombings.

America has very successfully Operation implemented Anaconda in Afghanistan — the very operation that would be ideal to combat the terrorists in

It is painfully obvious that the PLO and their appointed leader, the world's most senior and successful terrorist, Yassar Arafat,

do not seek mutual co-existence with Israel. By rejecting the unprecedented concessions by the Barak Labor Government, he showed his true colors. He does not desire a co-existence with Israel; Arafat seeks its very destruction.

The Passover Massacre was in the same vein as the Sept. 11 attacks. It is counterproductive and obtuse to fight terrorism in Afghanistan and to then give it free reign against our staunchest ally. We can not wage war against only politically correct

Terrorism is a cancer — to eradicate cancer, you must remove it form every portion of the body, or it will continue to metastasize.

Let us now free Israel, an island of democratic hope in a sewer of totalitarian sand and oil, from her murderous aggressors and send the cancers of terrorism into their final remission.

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Jason Robinson's Cynical Inquisition



Do you think professors at UVM should be able to share personal opinions in the class-room?



"Yeah, I think they should. Their opinion is based on their education."

Amy Boynton, 2005 Milford, CT



"I think they should preface it with 'in my opinion."

Annie Anderson, 2004 Minneapolis, MN



"It really depends on the class. If the class can integrate personal opinions, then yes."

Ariane Cline, 2002 Swarthmore, PA



"I do not think it is OK. Although it depends on the situation, it can really affect the way a class thinks."

Shelley Combe, 2005 Haddam, CT

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Safety and Support Is Focus of UVM's New Special Interest Housing

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"Someone might try to target a community like this because they are all living together, but in an effort to prevent this, Residential Life is not publicizing the location of the floor," Cook

"It doesn't guarantee safety, but students can't be guaranteed it in any other living arrangement," said SGA President and LGBTQIA member, Bill Tickner.

Tickner helped organize a trip to convince UVM's Board of trustees to adopt the program, and believes that non-heterosexual students will benefit enormously from being able to live in a supportive community.

"At least with this arrangement they can have the support of people who are going through the same issues," said Tickner.

Other concerns that have been raised with this program are that it will isolate members of the LGBTQ&A community, thereby slowing down the process of education and acceptance of non-heterosexual students.



Andy Duback/VC Staff

The debate started over one homosexual male student's request to live with a female.

Dorthea Brauer, services coordinator to the LGBTQIA, doesn't feel this should be a major concern.

"We're talking about a very low percentage of the LGBTQ&A population here. It isn't the students' job to teach people about gay and lesbian rights and ask them to live in an environment that is hostile or unsafe."

Bauer would like to see Residential Life move towards a

general housing policy, but feels that there are still a lot of things that need to be worked out before any more changes are made.

"It would open up the possibility for heterosexual couples to be living together within the dormitories...and I am not sure that students at 18, 19, 20 years of age are at a point where their identities are solid enough where it is good to be in a 24 hour cross-gender living environment."

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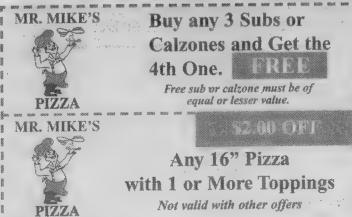
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Upbeat Conference To Get New and Old Student Leaders Excited Again



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Keynote Speaker Nancy Hunter Denney addresses the crowd of student leaders Saturday in CC Theater.

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among those who attended.

Sforza said Denney, the motivational speaker, "put life into perspective." She added, "She motivated us to get all that we could out of our education."

Asked her feelings about the speakers, Director of Orientation Dani Comey said, "It's hard to be good at 9:00 a.m. Nancy had great energy and Dew just rocks my world; I just love her drum-

ming."

As part of the Conference's emphasis on developing comradery, after Denney spoke, the Student Leaders met in small groups. Those groups wrote letters explaining to President-elect Daniel Fogel what UVM students are like and what improvements they would like to see at UVM.

The Student leaders then returned to C.C. Theater for a highly energetic drumming session led by Wylde, during which

students were singing, dancing and beating percussion instru-

On that upbeat and lively note, the Conference closed and students left to begin their training sessions as student leaders.

Attendance was a job requirement for Resident Assistants, Orientation Leaders, Student Ambassadors, Advocats and Judicial Counsel Members.

Also in attendance were forty people Hoppenjans described as faculty, staff and graduate students

Hoppenjans thinks the Conference is a major improvement over the training method UVM used before UVM held the first annual Student Leaders conference three years ago.

Then Student Leaders in different positions were trained separately and were not given an opportunity to network or crosstrain.

She said that at many universities, different departments compete over students to fill important leadership positions.

However, the five departments at UVM sponsoring the event, share Student Leaders and cooperate to successfully put on the Conference.

Sexual Assault Numbers Have Risen Substantially Since 1998

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That men have the ability to protest violence against women was emphasized by musician Aaron Flinn, who also made an appearance.

His lyric, "My sisters walk with me," implies that the protest against sexual violence is not about women and men as separate groups, but as a community that can work together.

According to statistics from Police Services, a higher number of sexual offenses were reported in the month of February than during any other month in the past year and a half.

Sexual assaults, which are

defined specifically as the acts of intercourse or oral sexual contact, are generally reported in low numbers

However, since 1998, when sexual assaults could first be reported anonymously, the number of sexual assaults reported on campus has risen substantially.

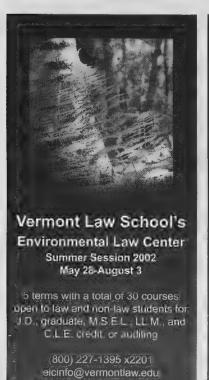
"One of the things that happens when something is kept secret is that it becomes shameful," said Sharon Snow, Director of UVM's Women's Center.

Sexual Violence Awareness Month will be observed throughout the month, and includes upcoming events tied to sexual violence Sexual Violence Awareness Month: Upcoming Events

The Clothesline Project, a collection of T-shirts made by survivors of sexual violence will be found April 22-26 at Billings Student Center.

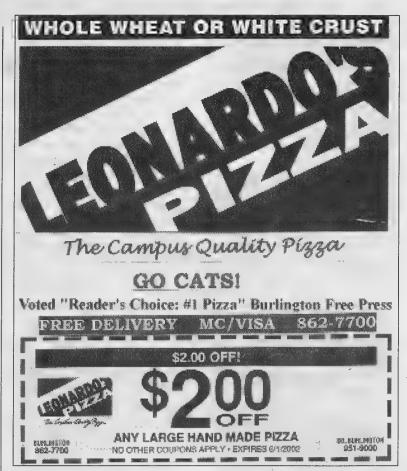
"A Light in the Darkness," an art show currently in the Royal Tyler theater narthex, will be available for all to view throughout April.

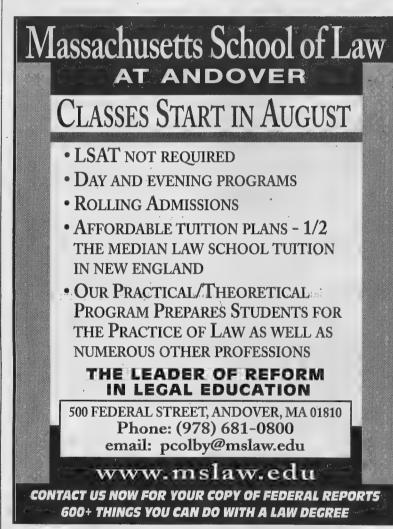
Ruggers Against Rape, the New England Women's Tournament, hosted by the UVM Women's Rugby Team, will take place April 27 and 28.



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Ask Dr. Love

Dear Dr. Love,

I was dating this girl for a little while, and for personal reasons, I broke it off with her.

She was very upset and acted very resentful. I thought about it and started to feel bad-until I learned that very soon after I ended our relationship, she was sleeping around all over the place. Should I still feel bad?

-Sorry and Single

Dear Sorry and Single,

Obviously, whatever your "personal reasons" were, she found them rather upsetting.

Still, you broke it off and what she does afterwards is really none of your business and should not dictate whether or not you feel guilty.

If you treated her unfairly towards the end of the relationship, then you probably should feel some remorse about your actions.

You wanted the relationship to be over, so now there is no point in keeping tabs on one another. It will only make you feel more angry. As far as her personal choices go, that's something to lay on her conscience, not yours

Guilty or not, it's over. This is what you wanted, so maybe now it's time to move on.

Dear Dr. Love,

I have been casually seeing this guy for the past month, and the other day he told me he has a girlfriend. I was shocked. But he said that he preferred me to her and is eventually planning on leaving her for me. He also said he wanted to make sure I would be there for him when he was ready. I'm a little sketched out, but I really do like him. What should I do?

-The Other Woman

Dear Other Woman,

Eeeewwww! I have one word for you: SLEAZY! I think you should run for your life. This guy is giving you so many red flags that he is a jerk, you would be stupid to stick around to see what comes next.

I predict that one of two things will happen. The first one being, he probably won't leave her, and will continue stringing you along.

The second possibility is that if you do end up together, there is no saying that you won't get the boot as soon as he decides to trade up again. Nine times out of ten, when a man dumps his girlfriend for another woman, eventually she'll find herself getting ditched for someone new.

Odds are, you are just another upgrade. Don't forget, he waited an entire month to tell you about her and still hasn't told her about you. This guy is no good, so I'd tell him there's a good chance you won't be waiting for him when he returns from breaking her heart.

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New Picture Book Captures Despair and Frustration



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"Are you afraid of needles?!" You Can Be Anything! From A to Z: An Anti-Inspirational Guide to Adulthood, by Sarah Montague is published by Villard Books, New York. It will be available for \$9.95 on April 23, 2002.

By MARY KATE GUCCION

Remember when you were a senior in high school, and the guidance counselor asked you all those questions to help you narrow down what you wanted to do with the rest of your life?

In her new book, You Can Be Anything! An Anti-Inspirational Guide to Adulthood, Sarah Montague asks some of those questions again.

However, the people she describes aren't quite they whom we all want to be. Rather, they are people who, in our hearts, we are terrified we may become.

Written in the style of Edward Gorey's *The Gashlycrumb Tinies*, Montague assigns a persona with a matching "job" for every letter of the alphabet.

For example, in response to the question, "Do you like animals?" we get Zeke. Montague describes him: "Zeke is a zookeeper. He works forty hours plus overtime at the zoo. He is very quiet and keeps to himself. He thinks the animals speak to him in a secret language. Like when the monkeys throw their feces, they might be saying, 'Zeke, we like you best!"

Or, as a response to the question, "Do you wear glasses?" we have Evan: "Evan is an engineer. He always got straight A's in school and excelled in subjects like math and biology. Evan is usually rejected socially because of his greasy hair and thick glass-

Montague doesn't stop with professionals in her A-to-Z list. There's Fiona: "Fiona is a failure. Her husband left her for a younger woman. She wasn't good enough at making him happy and she wasn't pretty enough to make him stay."

And we can't forget Jane: "Jane is a junkie. She's addicted to heroin. She only snorts or smokes it because she's too afraid to shoot up. Sometimes she sleeps with her dealer to get more smack. He is skinny and smells bad."

The author's humor reflects the darker and more cynical side of human behavior and our society. We have been suspecting all along that money can, in fact, buy happiness and success. Montague offers a fresh case for our suspicions being correct.

Also, her style of clipped, abrupt sentences and elementary

vocabulary makes the grim people she describes all the more frightening. They are related with an almost child-like innocence that make the pathetic nature of the characters even more bizarre.

Montague reminds us of all some hysterical of what we loathe becoming in the rising panic.

response to the question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" Such a question is on all of our minds, being in college to help find our niche, and now that the job search is on for the graduating seniors, the book offers some hysterical laughter to ease the rising panic.

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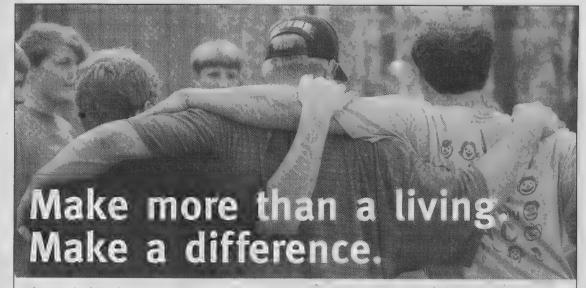
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UVM Lane Series Presents The Taming of the Shrew



Photo Courtesy of Ken Howard Christen Simon (Katharina) and Bryan Cogman (Petruchio) in The Acting Company's 2002 production of The Taming of the Shrew.

The bard is back on the mainstage of the Flynn Theatre when the UVM Lane Series brings New York City's The Acting Company on Sunday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. for a production of Shakespeare's uproarious comedy The Taming of the

There will be a pre-concert discussion with Shakespeare faculty from UVM and St. Michael's before the performance at 6:30 in the Flynn Gallery.

One of Shakespeare's most popular comedies, The Taming of the Shrew takes place in Italy.

Petruchio, a roving adventurer, vows to woo Katherine for her large dowry, and to free her younger sister Bianca for marriage to his friend Hortensio.

His plans are complicated, however, when he realizes that kate is no blushing compliant maiden, but a sharp-witted clever lady with her own agenda and a gift for repartee that matches his

Audiences have always loved the wonderful zest of the plot and the sharply drawn comic characters. The leading roles of Kate and Petruchio are a feast for actors, and young audiences have always enjoyed the delightful

absurdity of the play's antic situations, and the battle of the sexes.

It has been the basis for sevfilms, including the Zefferelli 1960 version with Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor. Cole Porter's musical Kiss Me Kate borrows freely from the plot of The Taming of

The Acting Company, America's only nationally-touring classical repertory theater, was founded in 1972 by current Producing Director Margot Harley and the late John Houseman. Their mission was to bring both classical and new plays throughout the country to communities large and small and to create repertory opportunities for young and talented actors.

The Acting Company has been fulfilling this singular mission since it was formed out of the first graduating class of Juilliard School's Division in 1972.

Tickets to the Lane Series presentation of The Taming of the Shrew are \$26, \$18, \$11, and \$5 for students. They are available by calling the Campus Ticket Store at (802) 656-3085, or 86-FLYNN.

-Press Release

Practice Before You Make Us Listen: Places to Play Instruments

By ANDREW WOODS

It's Tuesday night and I can make out the faint chords of "Redemption Song" by Bob Marley. Could this be the longawaited debut of Steven Seagal's latest album, which showcases a cover of Marley's song? I ran down the hall, hoping to hear the untainted genius of Seagal's

I instead found a UVM student stumbling over the chords of "Redemption Song." With my dissatisfaction complete, I told the student that if he's not going to play Seagal, then he shouldn't play

He then proceeded to tell me that there is nowhere else to play his brand of inoffensive rock

When he was done whining, I told him that we could all use a break from his talent, citing the section about noise restrictions in The Cat's Tale Student Handbook: Noise that unreasonably disrupts roommate(s), resident(s) and neighboring community members at any time or that violates Quiet Hour and Courtesy Hour policies or the Community Living Agreement is prohibited. This includes amplified sound (i.e. facing stereo speakers out windows, use of megaphones, electronic instruments and/or equipment, microphones, etc.).

I needed this uncontrolled rock 'n' roll to go elsewhere, but where? After an exhaustive investigation, I had the answers.

I returned to the aspiring musician's room and told him that he could play in one of twenty single practice rooms in Southwick Music Hall. He then informed me that many of those rooms are forever in use by piano students, and besides, "I'm not that bad. Stop

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I then told him that there is practice room in Wing/Davis/Wilks, and two in Living/Learning where he could

Additionally, bands and musicians can also give performances Wing/Davis/Wilks Living/Learning. Slade Hall can be booked as well.

Still, many students at UVM have expressed their frustration with the limited facilities available to play music on campus.

Here's an idea: every musi-

William Tickner, S.G.A. President, about the need for additional musical facilities.

The S.G.A.'s own constitution states in its preamble that part of its purpose is to promote the welfare of the cultural, academic and social aspects of the University.

It would seem that part of the \$200,002.71 allocated to the S.G.A. this year could be reallocated toward the development of a facility to serve those needs.

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Memorabilia Mania



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time I have come to the conclusion that this world is a crazy place and nothing really seems to truly amaze me anymore.

While surfing the web during some free time, getting my daily dose of sports stories, I came across one that really made me just shake my head in disbelief.

The sports world is fascinated with memorabilia and give-away gimmicks. You have your baseball cards, autographs, used bats; the list goes on and on.

The latest kick that brings fans in when the home team is playing the bottom feeder of the league are the very popular bobble head dolls.

Welcome to the next generation of collectibles: Players used gum.

These could be some of the next items that pop out of the blue:
Barry Bonds used q-tip, Ben
Wallace's hair pulled from hotel drain, or a zip lock bag full of vomit from Jerome Bettis at training camp.

Yes, you read that right, used gum. A Minnesota man attended an Arizona Diamondbacks game during spring training this year, and while sitting along the first base line while Luis Gonzalez singled in the first inning. Gonzalez then proceeded to spit out his gum as he straddled the bag. After the first inning ended the fan asked the umpire to retrieve the gum for him that was lying there on the ground and next thing you know it is on the auction block.

The funniest part of the whole story might be that at this moment it has currently been bid up to \$175. One of the top bidders is a 45-year-old real estate executive from Phoenix, Jill Mosher, who is a die-hard Diamondbacks fan and says that she has an unlimited amount of money to spend on it. The only other collectible she has is an autographed picture of former NBA player Jeff Hornacek. Some taste I must say.

This brings a whole new meaning to 'one man's trash is another man's treasure.' Is this where things are heading, I mean is there really going to be a market for things such as used gum? These could be some of the next items that pop out of the blue: Barry Bonds used q-tip, Ben Wallace's hair pulled from hotel drain, or a zip lock bag full of vomit from Jerome Bettis at training camp. Ok, that might be pushing it a little bit, but you get the picture.

It is a sick world we live in and if some of Bazooka Joe's finest will be the centerpiece of someone's mantel, then so be it.

Cats Now 3-1 With Win Over St. Mike's



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff
Courtney LaMere attacks the eight meter arc while Sarah Booker sets a pick.

LaMere Climbs Scoring Ranks at UVM

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

On Sunday afternoon, the Cats beat up on Binghamton by a score of 21-7.

For Vermont, Courtney LaMere moved into a tie for fifth place all-time in goal-scoring at Vermont with five goals, giving her 73 for her career. She also added four assists, and is now sixth in career points with 90.

On Friday Jessie Groszkowski scored seven goals for the University of New Hampshire and then defeated Vermont, 21-7, in American East women's lacrosse action at UVM's Centennial Field.

The Catamounts, 4-1 overall

and 0-1 in America East action, cut UNH's second-half lead to 10-6 with early second-half goals from Corinna Noering and Courtney Keefe. New Hampshire responded with four unanswered goals and went on for the win.

Earlier last week LaMere scored five goals as UVM defeated cross-town rival Saint Michael's College by a score of 16-7.

Mackenzie Dean, Vanessa Cox, Molly Sheehan and Kate Parker each scored two goals for the Catamounts, while Dean added two assists for UVM.

Catamounts and Stony Brook play

another twin bill on Sunday.

-Sports Info.

Roberts, Chamberland Pound Stony Brook

BASEBALL

With homers in both games, Nick Roberts and Barry Chamberland led Vermont to a sweep of Stony Brook, 14-4 and 12-8, in an America East baseball double header at Seawolves Field on Saturday afternoon.

The twin bill was the first conference action for both school as well as the first America East contests for the Seawolves, a league newcomer.

Roberts on the day went fivefor-nine and drove in six runs while Chamberland went three-for-six with four RBI as the Catamounts won for the fifth time in six games since returning north from Florida.

After starting the campaign 2-6, they have won seven of nine to improve to 9-8 on the season.

In the opener, Roberts (threerun HR) and Chamberland hit backto-back shots to key a six-run third inning.

Hot-hitting classmate Raymond Montanez also went twofor-five with an RBI triple and Jeff Tarigo drove in a pair to back Cats' starter Derek Miller.

Miller, now 3-0 this season, allowed three hits and one run while striking out nine in five innings. The freshman lefty now has 43 strikeouts in 26 innings pitched this season.

With the sweep, Vermont coach Bill Currier is now one win shy of the 300th of his 15-year career, all at UVM, as the

Men and Women Re-write Record Books at Dartmouth and UNH

TRACK & FIELD

Freshman Anne Morrison set a school record in the pole vault and classmate Tessa Auwarter lowered the all-time best time in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at a four-team out-door track and field meet at New Hampshire Saturday.

Both student-athletes broke their own records, which they set last week at Dartmouth.

Morrison won the pole vault with a leap of 10-11-3/4, breaking her old mark of 10-6, while Auwarter finished fourth in the steeplechase in a school-record time of 11:51.70.

Teammate Anna Lloyd also went under the previous mark, finishing fifth in 12:04.23.

On the men's side, captain George Deane won the 800 (1:58.11) and 1500 (3:59.02) while Chris Tomberg was second in the javelin (167-1).

The Catamount women finished second behind UNH, topping Maine and Quinnipiac, while the men were third behind UNH and Maine.

The previous week at Dartmouth, many other records were brought down by both the Men's and the Women's teams.

Freshman Anne Morrison set a school record in the pole vault while Tessa Auwarter and Alexandra Hill both broke the 3,000-meter steeplechase mark. Elain Coutrayer won the long jump and finished second in the triple jump as the men's and women's outdoor track and field teams opened their season.

Morrison won the pole vault with a leap of 10-6, shattering the old mark of 9-0, while Coutrayer won the long jump (16-5) and was a close second in the triple jump (36-6-3/4). Auwarter finished second in the steeplechase in 12:09.

Sophomore Kristal Kostiew had a solid meet, winning the javelin (135-5) and taking second in the hammer throw (165-11) and discus (137-6).

For the men, Chris Tomberg won the javelin (182-5) and captain George Deane and senior Peter Raak were 1-2 in the 1,500, with Deane winning in 3:53.99.

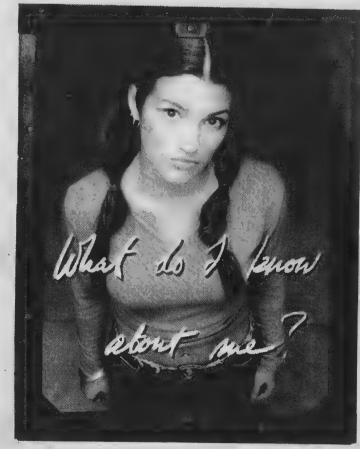
Erin O'Grady also won the 100 (12.80).

Coutrayer captured the triple jump (36-9-3/4) while Sophomore Kristal Kostiew won the javelin (145-8) and hammer throw (159-5).

Sara Lovell placed first in the shot put (42-11-1/2).

The UVM men and women finished third behind Dartmouth and UNH.

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Underfunded Athletic Programs Can't Compete

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receives little to no funding and has no players on scholarship.

"The lack of scholarships makes it difficult to compete," said Women's Lacrosse coach Kissy Rowuley. "I don't feel like we are on equal footing as the teams in our conference with 15 scholarships."

Rowley also added, "We'll be able to keep stride with Albany, Binghamton, and Stonybrook for about two years and then they'll be passing us. The school really needs to step up."

Under funded programs don't have the means to travel around and recruit for their team. A program with full, or even partial scholarships and funding will have the ability to attract players from all over the country.

While the pressure is always present for any coach and team to perform to the best of their ability, that pressure is magnified for programs which are put on a pedestal to represent the university.

"There's always a lot of pressure on the hockey program," said Men's Hockey Head Coach, Mike Gilligan, who led his hockey team to the National Championship game in 1996. "It's a real shame to see other programs cut and have those resources put into others, but we can hope it works out for the

The Men's Hockey team went 3-26-2 last season.

The 27 varsity programs that the University of Vermont has is well above the average of 18 in America East schools. Schools including the University of Maine who is a National Finalists for Men's Hockey, and Boston University which has a nationally ranked Women's Lacrosse team.

The notoriety UVM will receive from success of their athletic programs will also increase interest in prospective students.

"The University of Maryland just won the NCAA championship," said Farmham. "That success is going to increase the amount of applications that Maryland gets just because they will have kids who are excited about going to a great basketball school.

"We are trying to get more constituent interest out of the community and students for our big programs."

Cats Shutout Monmouth, Fall to Terriers



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff David Levine prepares for a crosscourt forehand shot.

Vermont was victorious on against visiting Monmouth University by a score

The Catamounts swept all six singles matches, while winning two of three doubles as well. Dmitri Eguer, David Levin, Matt Spring and Johann Liljengren each won in straight sets.

The Cats also played on

MEN'S TENNIS

Sunday which was their third match in as many days.

On friday, Men's Tennis lost to America East rival Boston University by a score of 5-2. Picking up wins for the were Zeljko Catamounts Knezevic and David Levin.

The doubles team Knezevic and Matt Spring also was victorius. Vermont is now 5-8 in the Spring Season.

SINGLES: 1. Zeljko Knezevic (UVM) def. Simon Key (M), 7-6, 3-6, 6-4; 2. Joshua London (UVM) def. Michael Jacobs (M), 0-6, 6-2, 7-5; 3. Dmitri Eguer (UVM) def. Ali Gilak (M), 6-4,7-5; 4.David Levin (UVM) def. Brian Connolly (M) 6-0, 6-0; 5. Matt Spring (UVM) def. Chris Doyle (M), 6-1, 6-2; 6. Johann Liljengren (UVM) def. Jan Humphreys (M) 6-1, 6-4.

DOUBLES: 1.Key/Gilak (M) def. London/Liljengren (UVM), 8-3; 2. Knezevic/Eguer (UVM) def. Jacobs/Connolly (M), 8-5; 3.Levin/Spring (UVM) def. Long/Doyle (M), 8-4.

SINGLES: 1. Zeljko Knezevic (UVM) def. Geoff Wagner (BU), 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; 2.Adam Seigal (BU) def. Joshua London (UVM), 7-6, 7-6; 3. Noel Moossa (BU) def. Dmitri Eguer (UVM), 7-6, 6-7,7-6; 4.David Levin (UVM) def. JP Debbink (BU) 6-1, 7-5; 5.Josh Holbrook (BU) def. Matt Spring (UVM), 7-6, 6-3; 6. Jason Vinoles (BU) def. Johann Liljengren (UVM) 6-3, 7-5.

DOUBLES: 1. Wagner/Seigal (BU) def. London/Liljengren (UVM), 8-5; 2. Knezevic/Spring (UVM) def. Vinoles/Debbink (BU),; 3. Moossa/Holbrook (BU) def. Cooper/Levin (UVM), 9-7.

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Men's Soccer and Women's Basketball are two of the University's marques

Miller Named AE Rookie of the Week

Left-handed pitcher Derek Miller of the University of Vermont was named the America East Baseball Rookie of the Week Wednesday.

Miller, a red-shirt freshman whose 2001 season was cut short by illness, was dominating in his last start, a 2-1 win at Yale on Friday, March 29th.

only four hits and one walk while

striking out a Vermont rookierecord 14.

The win over the Bulldogs was his third straight strong outing and the second time this season in which he has struck out 10 or

He also had 10 K's against UMass on March 18th. Miller leads the Catamounts' staff with a 2-0 record, 34 strikeouts (in 21

Softball Ends 14-Game Losing Streak

SOFTBALL

The University of Vermont softball team belted out a seasonhigh 10 hits to earn a 6-3 victory over visiting Quinnipiac in the first game of the non-conference doubleheader.

It was Vermont's first win of the 2002 season.

With Quinnipiac ahead 2-1, freshman Ashleigh Viens drilled a two-out double into centerfield and drove in three runs to put the Catamounts up 4-2. Vermont, behind the pitching of junior Angie Totaro, would add another run in the fourth and sixth innings to earn the 6-3 victory in game

Viens finished the game with two hits and three RBI.

Teammates Kristy Winberg and Jaime Dawson also had multiple hits for Vermont.

Totaro (1-7) went the distance for Vermont on the mound, picking up six strikeouts in her first victory of the season.

In game two, Quinnipiac took advantage of six Vermont errors to earn a 6-1 win and finish the day with the split.

QU took an early 1-0 lead, but the game was highlighted a three-run fourth inning. Quinnipiac also added two runs in the fifth to take a 5-0 lead.

Vermont ruined the shutout with a run in the fifth. The game was called in the top of the seventh inning due to darkness.

Vermont improves its overall record to 1-15 on the season, while Ouinnipiac moves to 9-12 on the year.

The Catamounts return to action on Tuesday, April 9th when

they travel to Amherst, MA to face the University of Massachusetts at -3:00pm.



Angie Totaro had six strikeouts against Quinnipiac in the team's first victory.

In eight innings he allowed innings) and a 2.53 ERA.

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What's Happening

Calendar of Events, April 9-15

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

1 p.m. to 2 p.m. INTERVIEW: President-select Daniel Fogel will appear on Vermont Public Television as part of Beyond the Green. Fogel responds to questions from UVM community members and concerned Vermonters, including Bill Tickner, president of the Student Government Association and Burlington mayor Peter Clavelle. The recently taped interview is facilitated by Will Mikell. Information: 656-2005.

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. COMMUNITY MEDICAL SCHOOL: "Marijuana Abuse and Dependence: Recent Advances," Alan Budney, Psychiatry. Examine the clinical significance of various behavioral aspects of marijuana dependence and particularly, withdrawal symptoms. Carpenter Auditorium, Given Building. Information and registration: 847-2886 or visit http://www.med.uvm.edu/do_all_links.asp?SiteAreaID=279 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. TALK: "Watershed Impacts of Ski Resort Development," Beverly Wemple, Professor of Geography. L/L Ecology and Geology of Lake Champlain Seminar Series. A-101 Living/Learning Center. Information: 656-0244, mailto:jdrake@zoo.uvm.edu.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. LECTURE: "The Racialization of Gypsies and Travellers in Contemporary Britain," Robert Vanderbeck, Geography. Part of Area and International Studies Program "Brown Bag" Lecture Series. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill. For ADA accommodation: Sue Pochop, 656-3166. Information: 656-1096.

5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. FORUM: "Applying to Veterinary School" Karen Plaut and Scott Mischler, Department of Animal Science. Overview of the application process for veterinary schools. 103 Rowell. Information: 656-1338.

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. CONCERT: "In Times of Joy and Sorrow," by Geoffrey Reynolds, Music Dept. The recital spans 400 years from 1500 to 1900 and is interpreted through harpsichord, guitar, piano, and voice in four languages, German, French, Italian, and English. Recital Hall, Music Building. Information: Faith Truax, 656-7776.

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. MENS LACROSSE: Vs. Holy Cross at Essex Jct.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. SEMINAR: "The Global Terrestrial Carbon Budget." Robert Braswell, University of New Hampshire. Global Climate Change Seminar Series. Room 104 Aiken Center. Information: 656-3269

2 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. LECTURE: "...Like Roaring Boys Not Civil Maids..." Black Women in Colonial Mexico. Willi Coleman, Director of ALANA Studies and Professor of History. John Dewey Lounge, Old Mill, Third Floor. Reception to Follow. Information: Women's Studies 802-656-4282.

3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. WORKSHOP: "Tea Ceremony," by Mutsumi Corson and Harumi Ono, Japanese Language Program. Green tea and sweets served. Registration required. B180 Living/Learning Center. Information: 656-1117 or mailto:mmcorson@zoo.uvm.edu.

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. LECTURE: "No Substitute for Victory: The Current War and its Implications for American Foreign Policy" Robert Kaufman, Political Science, recipient of the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Lecture Award, Spring 2002. Lecture: Room 101, Lecture Hall, Fleming Museum, Reception to follow: Marble Court, Fleming Museum. Information: Dean's Office, 656-3166, mailto:spochop@zoo.uvm.edu.

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. FILM: "Secrets of the Heart." A nine-year-old boy must come to terms with death following his father's suicide. The boy and his brother try to uncover the veil of secrecy in a household overcome with grief, as the ghosts of the imagination guide them to a better understanding. Director: Montxo Armendariz, Spain, 1997, 108 min.. In Spanish with English subtitles. 427 Waterman Building. Information: Romance Languages 802-656-3196, mailto:romlang@zoo.uvm.edu, or visit http://www.uvm.edu/~romlang.

8 p.m. to 10 p.m. COFFEEHOUSE: Rhythm & Brews Coffeehouse, featuring Secrets Between Girls. Fireplace Lounge, Living/Learning Center Commons Building. Information: 656-4200, mailto:segreenl@zoo.uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/~llcenter.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. EVENT: Coping with Separation and Divorce Parenting seminars Chittenden Family Court, Burlington. \$20 payable in Family Court Manager's Office 5 working days before class. Information: Arlene Conant, UVM Extension, P.O. Box 8, Randolph Center, (802) 728-1581 or 1-800-698-1581, mailto:arlene.conant@uvm.edu, http://www.uvm.edu/extension/cope/.

9 a.m. to noon EVENT: 26th Annual Vermont Latin Day, Contests in Latin, Skits on the Constellations and the Zodiac, Displays of student work. About 1000 participants from Latin programs in the Vermont schools. Patrick Gymnasium. Information: UVM Classics Department, 656-3210 orhttp://www.uvm.edu/classics/

7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. CONCERT: Jazz legend Clark Terry and the UVM Jazz Ensemble. Ira Allen Chapel. Tickets: \$5, free to UVM affiliates, Campus Ticket Store, 802-656-3085. Information: Alexander Stewart, 656-7766.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

8 a.m. to 6 p.m. FIELD TRIP: Clark Art Institute, Williamstown, Massachusetts. Collections of paintings from the Renaissance through the early 20th century, with a special strength in IMpressionism, and "Arctic Diary: Paintings and Photogaphs by William Bradford." Vermont Transit bus will leave Williams Hall. Price is \$19, which includes transportation, admission, and tip for driver. Sign up in the Art Department Office (304 Williams) with a non-refundable check payable to UVM. Information: 802-656-2014 or mailto:ncarpent@zoo.uvm.edu.

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. ALTERNATIVE WEEKEND: Rosie's Place, Boston, MA. Volunteers will prepare and serve meals at a Boston shelter for low-income and homeless women. An overnight community service trip designed for student volunteers to escape campus for a weekend, build friendships and learn about issues of service and community involvement. Information: Ben Zimmerman, 656-2060.

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. EVENT: "Northwest Region 4-H Day." Essex High School, Essex Junction. Information: Martha Edwards-Manning, UVM Extension, 278 South Main Street, Suite 2, St. Albans, 05478, (802) 524-6501 or 1-800-639-2130 x219, mail-to:martha.manning@uvm.edu.

11 a.m. to noon WOMEN'S LACROSSE: Vs. Fairfield. Centennial Field.

Noon to 2 p.m. BASEBALL: Vs. Pace. Centennial Field.

1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. MENS LACROSSE: Vs. Quinnipiac. America East Game. Centennial Field.

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Noon to 2 p.m. BASEBALL: Vs. Pace. Centennial Field.

MONDAY, APRIL 15

Noon to 1 p.m. SEMINAR: "Thrombin mediated effects on myometrial smooth muscle," Dr. Mark Phillippe, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology. Stafford 101. Information: 656-2540.

3:30 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. LECTURE: "Mexican-American Farmers and their Struggle for Environmental Survival," Devon Pena, University of Washington. Part of the ENVS Seminar Series on Environmental Justice and Natural Assets. Kalkin 001. Information: Ibit Getchell, 656-0176, mailto:egetchel@zoo.uvm.edu.

4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. LECTURE: "Torn by Love, Hate, and Guilt: Suffering and Despair of a Holocaust Survivor," Lisa Kahn, Texas Southern University. The Thirteenth Harry H. Kahn Memorial Lecture. Memorial Lounge, Waterman Building. Information: Department of German and Russian, 656-3430. ADA accommodations: Sue Pochop, 656-3166.

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SGA Offers "Spring Fest" as Alternative to Usual "4/20"

By DAMON LUCIANO

This year, UVM will celebrate "Spring Fest '02" for the first time on April 18-20, coinciding with the day that mass crowds publicly smoked marijuana in front of UVM's Bailey/Howe Library for the past several years.

In the past, '4/20 demonstration' - the term '420' originated in San Rafael, California, was popularized by the Grateful Dead and is not a police code for marijuana -has become an annual event most agree has tarnished UVM's reputation, but the "Spring Fest '02" is seeking to change that.

"Last summer, after I became President, I met with the student leadership about the 4/20 issue, and it was my opinion that it was important for students and the University to explore a much more positive way of celebrating spring than the 4/20 demonstration of last year," said Edwin Colodny, UVM's interim President.

He added, "I believe it really is ... important for the students themselves to consider the implications of 4/20 for them and the University."

With that encouragement, the

Student Government Association and other student groups organized Spring Fest '02.

The purpose of the event is "Just to bring together the UVM community, to bring a tradition up," said UVM sophomore, and member of the Spring Fest Committee, Kate Elmore.

SGA president Bill Tickner, who chairs the Committee, agrees Spring Fest is meant to encourage community, but also suggested the motivation for Spring Fest goes beyond that.

"It's a pretty well known fact that the legislature has that power - to take away money (from UVM)," he said.

Tickner also pointed out, "We have to look at ... what's best for the school."

Right now, UVM receives around twelve million dollars from the state of Vermont.

"I think that those things are hard to evaluate, but sometimes events that are anecdotes do make a difference in the decision-making process in the legislature," said Martha Heath, Interim Chair of UVM's Board of Trustees

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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Saturday's action. See

Catamount Mark Prior holds off a defender during Saturday's action. See Sports for full story.

Administration Works Toward Plan for 4/20 Security

By DAMON LUCIANO

UVM Police Chief Gary Margolis would not say precisely how Police Services will deal with students who publicly smoke pot on April 20 this year, but acknowledged the importance of communicating those plans to the student body.

If police moved to arrest demonstrators, that would mark a break with past years where police officers tolerated the '4/20 demonstration,' and made little effort to stop students and others from publicly smoking pot on the Bailey/Howe Quad.

According to Margolis, "I

think students who come to the event and do things which are illegal or inappropriate can expect to be dealt with appropriately."

Yet Margolis declined to say explicitly that all individuals found smoking pot faced arrest, how UVM Police planned to deal with the number of users that could show up or what other police agencies may be present at the event.

As the number of people attending the event grows, Margolis indicated, the police's responsibility increases, if for no other reason than providing for security and safety concerns.

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UVM Woman Assaulted On Campus



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A female UVM student walks quickly through a parking lot on campus. Many female community members feel unsafe while walking alone at night.

South Prospect Street Attack Occurs Second Week of Sexual Violence Awareness Month

By LISEL RICHARDS

A female UVM student was attacked on prospect street in front of Slade hall Monday.

This attack comes a little more than a week after the beginning of Sexual Violence Awareness Month.

At 11:05 Monday night, after hearing screaming, residents of the west side of Wright Hall on Redstone campus called Police Services.

"I was talking to my roommate, and we heard screaming that wasn't like anything I have ever heard before," said Megan Vander Vliet, UVM junior, and Wright hall resident.

"I was immediately worried, but as soon as I looked out the window, I could see police cars approaching."

Police arrived on the scene between a minute and a minute and a half after the call was made.

The assailed reported being grabbed from behind and knocked to the ground.

She kicked and screamed, but was unable to free herself until she heard police sirens approaching, causing the male to then stop and flee the area on foot or on bike.

Police are pursuing leads of possible suspects, and the case is still under investigation.

During this academic year, female UVM students have been attacked in the Fletcher Allen parking garage, in the Hill section of campus and on the corner of Maple and Prospect.

"It's hard to tell if the cases are related, mainly because the descriptions of the attackers have been different," said University of 'It's hard to tell if the cases are related, mainly because the descriptions of the attackers have been different.'

Joshua Catella UVM Police Officer

Vermont Police Officer Joshua Catella. Catella believes the attack could be related to past cases, but is focusing on this case.

All of the attacks have occurred in areas where emergency blue boxes are not present.

When asked if the boxes improve safety for the UVM community, Officer Catella had no comment.

Anne Smith, women's advocate at UVM Women's Center, said one could argue that the mere presence of the boxes is a deterrent, giving attackers second thoughts.

"In cases of sexual assault, it is not generally the stranger jumping out of the bushes that the boxes target," she pointed out.

"Yet, the boxes are important for people in any kind of emergency, and the alternative to not having them is worse."

University Police Services offers two key programs that help prevent students from being attacked.

Safety escorts are offered upon request, and a Rape Aggression Defense Systems class.

Asked about self-defense for situations where a female feels at risk, Smith recommended, "listening to your instincts, and if you feel threatened, you can change direction, go into a well-lit area,

or if you feel confidant enough, turn to the person and say 'stop."

These methods will not work for everyone.

Still, Smith said, "If you can be seen and heard, this makes you less of a target."

Safety devices designed to protect and lower the risk of assault include everything from weapons to pepper spray to whis-

"These devices can also be dangerous to victims, because without proper training, they can be used against you," Smith warns.

"If you're going to use a whistle, this prevents you from verbalizing "No," and screaming to draw someone's attention to get assistance."

In the current case, nearby residents called the Police after hearing yelling and screaming, eventually causing the attacker to flee.

To report any criminal activities, please contact Police Services at 656-FIRE.

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Has '420' Lost Its Meaning?

Spring is here and the campus is going crazy with talk of 420. From the students, the professors, and the administration, it is on everybody's mind.

Some may despise it, and some may love it, but no matter how one feels about it, get ready, because here it comes.

For many years now, the annual student smoke-out comes around every April 20. The peaceful protest of marijuana laws brings new life to the campus.

However, why choose this date over any other time of the year? To answer this, one must first understand the idea that the numbers 420 represent.

When students were asked about where "420" comes from, a myriad of diverse responses followed.

Some explained that 420 comes from the police code for a marijuana arrest, while others said it started when a band chanted it one day at a concert.

Others claim that the Grateful Dead started the term, while others believed that it is the date Jerry Garcia died.

The list goes on and on, and one defining answer never came into sight. After a little research, the truth behind 420 emerged.

During the early seventies, a small group of friends, known as "The Waldos," began using the term to signal a smoking session.

They attended San Rafael High School in California and were done with classes and other activities at around 4:20 p.m.

This instantly became the time of day they burned together.

How did this term take off and spread so far?

One of the original creators explains, "the expression eventually leaked into the Deadhead culture and spread from there."

Many have said that the expression comes from the San Rafael Police Department's code for a marijuana bust, but they have denied such a code ever existing.

The origin aside, 4:20 has become the international time to pull out a bong or roll a joint and smoke up.

Where does UVM come in? Colleges across America all have spring flings to celebrate the nearing end of the last semester.

Many parties of this nature include massive amounts of alcohol being consumed by students.

However, instead of a big drinking bash, UVM students form a protest against marijuana laws.

This year, the University is attempting to control the hordes of smokers gathering in

front of Bailey/Howe by roping off areas and other such measures.

The school is also sponsoring "Spring Fest', which will hold numerous events to give students an 'alternative' to smoking

This will not stop many on campus from partaking in the anticipated event.

This year the college is attempting to put an end to this "defilement" of the University.

Rather than trying to destroy it, why not embrace it?

UVM is considered to be one of the most liberal schools in the U.S. and this celebration proves that this school does in fact have a sense of spirit and unity.

It may not be the most noble way to come together as a school, but 420 isn't meant to impress.

This event was started as a way to allow students to voice their opinions and beliefs. Was this country not found on freedom of speech and assembly?

While not all at UVM partake in "420" for its political reasons, many on campus do believe in protesting the marijuana laws.

For centuries, Americans have protested for social change with acts of civil disobedience.

Since the days of the Boston Tea Party, people have broken laws that they believed to be unjust, and they have often succeed in changing these laws and creating a more free and equitable society.

In protesting laws against marijuana use, students are doing more than asserting their belief that marijuana is no less harmful than many legal drugs.

They are also protesting the vindictive prosecution of non-violent victimless drug offenses, often sending people to jail for years.

These laws inordinately target the poor and minority populations, thus discriminating against populations that are already disadvantaged in our society.

After time in jail, these drug offenders have much lower chances of economic and social success.

Therefore, marijuana laws perpetuate institutional racism and inequalities.

So, whether you support the 420 demonstrations or you plan to attend the SGA-sponsored concerts and "Spring Fest," just try to remember why this tradition takes place and remember our nation's history of civil disobedience.

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Res-Life's Decisions Questionable

To the Editor:

In the Cynic last week, Residential Life announced the formation of a GLBTQIA floor on campus here at UVM. This came as a surprise since recently I had called Interim Director of Residential Life David Clokey, specifically to ask whether or not UVM was adding any special interest housing next year. Clokey said no additions were planned.

The phone call came as a result of a report from an RA who said that Residential Life was going to change different dorms to different special living formats as early as the Fall. Included was making CWPS (the nicest dorm on campus) into a Social Justice complex.

Patterson already has the Social Justice floor. Clokey assured me that the report was false and there were no changes to the housing program for next year. He did confirm that the ideas had been discussed but nothing was final. Out of the blue comes last weeks announcement of the new LGBTQIA floor.

My objective of this letter is not to criticize the decision of giving a safe space to the LGBTQIA community, but rather the process it went through. We already deal with crowded rooms, faulty plumbing and a poor selection of television channels. The least res-life could do is be honest with us.

Bob Fulton Class of 2004

UVM's Chapter of ISO is Guilty of Hubris

To the Editor:

What is the ISO guilty of? It's a simple question with a simple answer. They're guilty of hubris, pure and simple. And while they shouldn't be suspended for it, they should be taken to task.

First, well before this whole Kantor debacle, there was the van. Anybody remember the van? You know, the one the ISO used to protest at Fort Benning that got impounded because somebody brought some marijuana along? Did we get a public apology? Did the ISO actually pay any fines involved? If they did, I sure didn't hear about it.

Next, there was the letter when one member compared himself to Christ, as if handing out flyers in front of the library and being occasionally yelled at and picked on were the same as being executed. The behavior towards him was inexcusable, but it doesn't make him a martyr.

I'd also like to note that for some members of campus, ANYBODY comparing themselves to Christ is an extremely offensive act, which is why some people got so huffy.

And finally, the whole attitude the ISO projects, whether consciously or unconsciously, is one of martyrdom: how they are the oppressed but right minority being beaten down by the large but wrong majority.

Leaving aside the facts, I fail to see how complaining in the Cynic, handing out flyers, and going to protests somehow qualifies you for sainthood. In fact, I think it worth noting that the ISO doesn't seem to be helping the working class all that much.

Since they basically say "Mistakes? We don't make mistakes!" when some-body criticizes them, I doubt any member will read this letter or take it seriously. Too bad. There's a place for everybody, and everybody deserves to be heard.

I don't agree with them, but it would be a shame if any student group, even the ISO, put themselves out of commission for good over a few stupid mistakes.

> Dan Seitz Class of 2004

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Lack of Funding and State Regulation: UVM Should Go Private

Since I have been at UVM, one constant issue has been the lack of state funding granted to UVM. It is a known fact that UVM has one of the highest tuition prices and receives the lowest amount of state funding for a major state university.

The state gives our school nothing in the way of funding or support; in fact the only thing that it gives our school is a list of complaints.

The state has voiced its disapproval over the recent decisions to cut the dental hygiene program, and the proposals to dissolve the MPA program and continuing education. These programs which cost the University a significant amount of money to maintain are costly burdens for UVM.

Though the state demands that these programs be provided, the school receives no financial support for their upkeep. If the state wants to keep these programs, it should pay for them.

The state overall, while it threatens the University with a cuts in funding, takes an inactive role towards attempting to maintain the University's well being.

This inactivity not only comes from the state legislature, but also the governor's office. According to the Section 9 amendment 2173 of the Vermont constitution, the governor is included within the fourteenmember board of trustees. Governor Dean has ignored this responsibility

He has promised more funding for our school, but has come up short on these promises every time. Instead, when Montpelier releases its annual budget, UVM sees deeper cuts in state funding.

So what can UVM do to deal with the state? It's simple. As a school that was once considered a public ivy, it must become a private school like it was in the mid-1960's. By going private, the school can run itself the way it needs to be run.

Decades of debate over how this school should be run has caused UVM to be described as a "school with an identity crisis." With its lack of state funding, it cannot be run like a state school, but because of our obligation to the state we cannot be run like it should be run. By ditching the state, we can not only make admissions standards overall tougher and unbiased, but also go after alumni donations more competitively.

Year after year it seems that UVM either has to accept more out state students who will pay higher tuition prices to make up for UVM's budget deficit. Then the next year UVM is compelled to accept

unqualified Vermont students to fulfill the state's desired quota for Vermont residents at UVM.

Whenever the issue

of privatization comes up there is always the argument that the Vermont Constitution calls for a state university. This problem can be easily solved.

If UVM goes private, the state of Vermont can make Johnson or Lyndon State College the main campuses. UVM has no need for the state, especially with their lack of support.

The relationship between the state of Vermont and UVM is like a bad marriage, and quite frankly it is in dire need for a

Mike Banyas is Cynic columnist and a members of the class of 2003.

Bush Agenda Creates Climate of Bigotry

On Tuesday night last week, the ISO won a victory for all minority student groups and asserted their right to be free from malicious harassment. The right-wing learned that the entire community would stand up to their tactics of hate, and that the ISO will continue to expose and denounce the reactionary and imperialist policies that are driving the Bush administration.

The rightists failed decisively to manipulate the SGA and shut down the ISO through quasi-legal procedures, and on Thursday the entire university was shown the real motivations of some of the more cowardly members of this silent minority who think themselves big but act very, very small.

A despicable bigot who walks among us scrawled "Death to the Left, Death to Jews, Death to Queers, Deport Traitors and Immigrants" on posters announcing this weekend's protest against the IMF and World Bank.

This disgrace is a tragic but telling addendum to a week in which the most vocal and informed opponents of Bush's arrogant unilateralism were almost forced into silence.

Hateful ignorance of this kind is too often reflected more subtly in discriminatory policies passed by the Bush administration. It is exactly such sentiments that generate the authoritarian logic of US imperial-

ism that demands that everyone in the world think and act like our leaders believe they should.

Time and again the Republican Party has endorsed legislation like the Defense of Marriage Act, which in addition to denying gay and lesbian couples equal civil rights, publicly stigmatizes homosexuals.

The Patriot Act has granted the Justice Department fascistic authority to arbitrarily deny ANYONE their Constitutional rights. Hundreds of people have been detained without being charged with a crime, and their names have not been released. This has overwhelmingly victimized immigrants and creates an atmosphere of racist attention towards anybody with a Middle-Eastern or Islamic background.

It is only logical that dissenting groups who attempt to fight Bush's authoritarianism by spreading information and engaging in rational debate would be persecuted. Of groups like the ISO, John Ashcroft said: "Your tactics aid terrorism, for they erode our national unity and diminish our resolve. They give ammunition to America's enemies."

The Bush administration has never been interested in sustaining a public debate about injustice. They want to impose their radically conservative agenda on the entire world.

On his first day in office, by executive decree, Bush denied women in foreign countries access to adequate counseling about birth control. This will contribute to disease and overpopulation in the developing world and the widespread suffering and death that comes as a result.

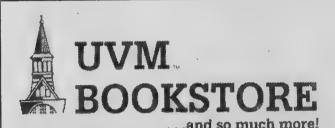
Instead of actively working to equalize development and eliminate the conditions that lead to terrorism, this administration acts with the same timid reluctance to engage a complex world that drives the anonymous bigot on our campus. Instead of attempting to create a world in which different cultures and nations can coexist in a viable, sustainable way, this administration only perpetuates the polarized hierarchy of nations and the distrust and resentment that are its natural byproducts.

The entire student body should be outraged by the reprehensible drivel scribbled on that poster. We should also resist the climate of racism, homophobia and self-righteous nationalism created when Bush codeveryone who wants to divide us with their hate and fear. We must be willing to struggle, like community did in support of the ISO, in order to achieve a more free and peaceful

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"4/20" Affects Perceptions of School in State Legislature

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and state Representative from District 23, Chittenden County.

According to Colodny, "There are several legislators who have expressed their concern over it."

Still, Tickner insists, "Our mission is not to silence people on their views on marijuana."

He added, "It's not really about the marijuana issue. ... It's about how you're advocating for that. ... From what we can see, in the Statehouse, this isn't furthering their cause."

President of Student Affairs Pat Brown agrees. "Smoking on the University campus is not a really effective way to protest."

Last year's "4/20 demonstration" received disproportionate media attention while the crowd grew to its largest size ever.

Yet, many attribute the magnitude of last year's 'demonstration' to protestors headed for Quebec City who ended up in Burlington only after being turned back at the border.

"My guess is there was a significant number of people in the crowd last year who were not UVM students," said Brown.

"I think some people look at an event like this and assume it represents all UVM students," said Brown. He added, "Students have said, 'This isn't me.'"

As part of the efforts to change that perception, the Administration is contributing up to \$30,000 of the programming costs for the concert and events sponsored by SGA on Saturday.

Saturday's events will include a concert by bands Vida Blue and Project Logic on the Bailey/Howe Quad, a Motion Picture and a rock climbing wall-sponsored by Volkswagen, a blow-up fencing arena, and food vendors.

The combined cost of those events and bringing Spike Lee to campus on Friday, sponsored by Senior Class Counsel, will be close to \$90,000, according to Elmore.

If the tradition is to stick, Tickner thinks, the University needs to begin to provide regular funding for the Festival.

He said some money for Saturday's events will come from the "Gateway Fund," a fund UVM plans to use for building a new Student Center.

"Until we have ... a Student Center, it's really important that we have these kind of events where we are all coming together," Tickner said.

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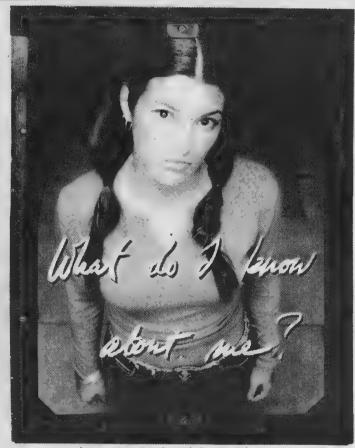


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Police Plan to Combine Efforts for 4/20

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Margolis added, "I'm really hopeful, optimistic, that we're not going to have those types of problems."

The remark was a reference to Spring Fest '02, a series of events geared towards taking much of the emphasis away from pot on 4/20 by providing drug-free alternatives.

That effort includes placing a roped off concert in the Bailey/Howe Quad, the area where the "4/20 demonstration" took place in past years.

Green Mountain Security will monitor the concert, restricting access to students with IDs, limiting the number of guests (charged \$10 each) allowed entry to 300 and searching backpacks.

By offering a concert and placing security guards at entry-points, UVM is able to limit the size of the crowd and confiscate illegal substances as students enter the event.

Part of the problem UVM faced last year was an influx of non-affiliates who swelled the ranks on "4/20 day," giving the illusion that a larger portion of UVM students attended the event, and smoked pot there, than actually was the case.

Margolis acknowledged that students might simply move the 'demonstration' from one site to another this year, given the location of the concert.

'We asked for some assistance from outside police agencies just to help us in certain ways.'

> Gary Margolis **UVM** Chief of Police

Still, the only indication he gave of what might happen was when he said the plan involved somehow not allowing groups to form, and somehow dealing with groups that do form.

Margolis also said, "We asked for some assistance from outside police agencies just to help us in certain ways."

Asked if police will be arresting students who publicly smoke pot during Spring Fest, Sargeant William Merritt of the Vermont State Police said, "My understanding is that law enforcement that will be there will enforce the laws of the state of Vermont."

Merritt declined to comment on how that would be done, but he did indicate that UVM Police Services have coordinated their efforts with Vermont State Police.

He said the State Police will focus on traffic and DUIs, and will have officers available to deal with any contingencies. Margolis indicated plans were under way to reach the student body, possibly through a mass e-mail.

SGA President Bill Tickner, using the Cat-Connection, sent email to every student, in which he described the event as being drugfree and emphasized that the police will be present there.

Spring Fest Events:

Thursday: Mike and Coral from MTV's "The Real World" speak at Ira Allen Chapel at 7 p.m.

Friday: Envirofest at Bailey/Howe Quad, sponsored by CEL and VSTEP; Spike Lee speaks at Ira Allen Chapel from 7:30-9:00 p.m., sponsored by Senior Class Council.

Saturday: Vida Blue, Project Logic, and UVM's Groove Components play on Bailey/Howe Quad; Volkswagen brings a Major Motion Picture Show, rock climbing and fencing; food vendors.

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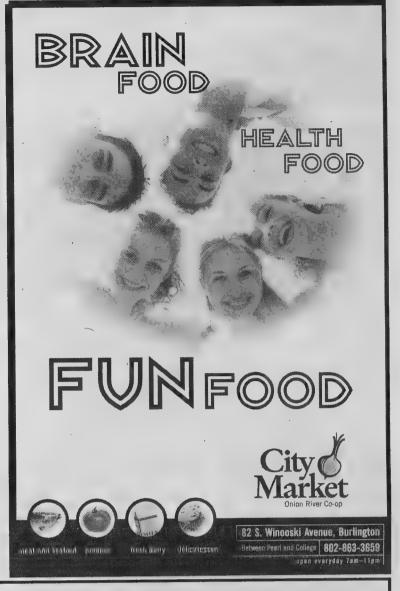
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Cynical Inquisition By JASON ROBINSON



"Absolutely ridiculous. Money can be spent much more productively."

Brett Masterson, 2005



"I think it is wrong to try to stop it, 4-20 helps school spirit."

CJ McCabe, 2005



"F*ck it. And stop trying." Jared Danielian, 2005

UVM's money and man-power to try to prevent the annual 4-20 event, in which students gather around campus to smoke marijuana?

How do you feel about the use of



"I think it is too drastic of a change to eliminate 4-20 in one year. I think it is going to be a mess."

Eric Lane, 2005



"The more cops that show up the bigger the problem there will be."

Kevin Rees, 2005



"The money that they are putting into security can be put towards other things that have had funding cut, like the athletic department."

Colleen Clifford, 2005



"Frankly, I don't have a problem with 4-20 if it is peaceful and people can handle it maturely. But I can think of issues that are more pressing such as athletic programs and Continuing Education funding."

Colin Cady, 2004



"I can appreciate what the administration is doing, but on the other hand, it is a UVM tradition. But I do think it (4-20) trashes the school's image."

Kate Floyd, 2003



"It is sad that any tradition has to stop, but for the benefit of the school, it has to happen."

Katie Bengtson, 2004



"Do they think that MTV, a climbing wall and a handful of bands will stop 4-20? We don't have to smoke in public to celebrate."

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Ask Dr. Love

Dear Dr. Love,

I have been hanging out with this guy for a while. Just a couple nights ago, we fooled around for the first time. Then the next day, he wanted to talk about what I thought we were. I guess he was worried that I think we might be together. He said he wants to see where things go, but he's not ready for a relationship right now. This all seems a little weird to me. Should I wait things out or just tell him I'd rather be friends?

-Waiting in Wills

Dear Waiting,

This happens to women every day. It's the classic "hookup with a friend" syndrome. This usually results in one of three common endings.

One, the two of you never speak again, ending the friendship.

Two, you have the "what happens next" talk, as the two of you have done. And three, the two of you are so excited to have finally consummated your undying love for one another that you live happily ever after (okay-so that one rarely happens).

The thing you want to avoid here is misreading hormones for feelings and making this into more than it is. Now I could be wrong, but it sounds like your friend is on rather shaky ground. When a guy says, "I'm not ready for a relationship, let's see where things go," things probably won't go too far. If you really think it's worth waiting out, I can't stop you, but you wouldn't be doing the wrong thing in walking away.

It doesn't sound like there were too many sparks flying the morning after, and the biggest mistake women seem to make is settling for less than they should expect. My vote-wait for someone who's crazy about you, and write this one off as a fun night.

Dear Dr. Love,

I was in a serious relationship for four years and just recently got out. I just met this guy and he is really into me. I have been putting him off because I am really not ready to get back into a relationship, but I feel bad. My friends tell me to go for it, and part of me wants to, but there is still some hesitation. When is it worth taking the chance?

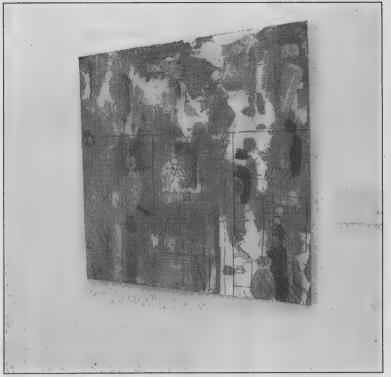
-Needing Time in Tupper

Dear Needing Time,

Only you can decide if you are ready. Even if this guy is really nice and your friends are all for it, if you are not ready to get into a relationship again, then chances are you won't be able to hold up your end of the deal. If you have not already spoken to him about this, then you need to fill him in. Let him know why you're a little timid about a new relationship.

Perhaps you two can take things slowly until you're ready for something more, but in the end, it all depends on whether or not you are ready.

Exhibit "Struggle & Survival" Proves Powerful



Andy Duback/VC Staff One exhibit featured at "Struggle and Survival" in the Allen House Gallery.

By KATIE MONTICELLO

"We invite you to bear witness to the power of art as resistance to oppression in all its forms, as a celebration of strength in the face of adversity, as therapy for past pain, and as a means of activism toward the end of violence," is the striking description of artwork currently on display at the Allen House's Multicultural Gallery.

"Struggle & Survival: A Multimedia Testament to the Strength of the Human Spirit" is sponsored by UVM Hillel and the Center for Cultural Pluralism, in coordination with Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) and sexual violence awareness

The pieces on display invoke a range of emotions from their viewers; they symbolize or blatantly urge responses of overwhelming despair to soothing optimism.

Although each piece may represent its own mood, as a whole, the pieces are acts of mobilization that carry art from . the possible elitist world of aesthetics to a humanistic desire for social change.

One poignantly moving piece, among other powerful works, is one by Dorothea Brauer. Redcross' Daughters, Brauer's creation, is made of acrylics on canvas with mixed media and collage.

The multidimensional qualities of Brauer's piece are captured through her use of window boxes that shelter specific photos. Redcross' Daughters is about the struggle and survival of Cherokee heritage through generations of women in my family," writes Brauer.

The surface of the canvas is splashed with vibrant colors and a sporadic collage of photos showing women of various generations. Some of the women in the photos are dark-skinned and some are fair-skinned. Such variation is explained in Brauer's statement when she writes, "Like many Native Americans, she Brauer commemorates the plight of her grandmother and the oppression she encountered and surmounted.

[Brauer's

grandmother] married lightskinned, blue-eyed so her children could pass and learn not to speak of her Cherokee blood." It was her grandmother's strategy to protect her children from ethnic/racial discrimination, signifying the means to which some resort in order to escape social

Brauer commemorates the plight of her grandmother and the oppression she encountered and surmounted. "My grandmother's Cherokee grandmother did not march to Oklahoma, but hid in the western hills of Virginia with other indigenous people and escaped slaves. My grandmother then survived the ethnic cleansing movement that existed in some form in every state in the United States and ultimately developed into the Nazi Holocaust before it lost favor."

She concludes her statement with the following: "My mother, the darkest of her children, tells me my grandmother would say with pride that 'we have a Redcross in our bloodline."

Brauer's Redcross' Daughters seems to explore the legacy of her matriarchal familial history, honoring the current

women in her family.

The socially and emotionally charged artwork by people such as Dorothea Brauer will be on display until April 30, 2002 in the Multicultural Gallery's show, "Struggle & Survival: A Multimedia Testament to the Strength of the Human Spirit."

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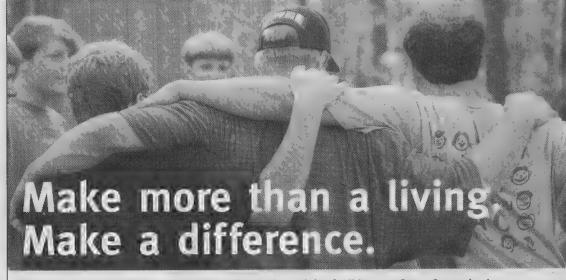
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The Flynn offers a free movie showing of the Buena Vista Social Club documentary on Sunday, April 7 at 3 p.m. in FlynnSpace. In a free Pre-Performed Slide Show & Lecture on Friday, April 19 at 6:30 p.m., photographer David Garten presents "Havana is calling you" in the Amy E. Tarrant Gallery at the Flynn Center.

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The Kids in the Hall Rock Burlington

By ANDREW WOODS

As I approached 250 Main St., I thought I had mistaken Memorial Auditorium for a large abandoned warehouse used primarily for illicit drug use. Were Scott Thompson and The Kids in the Hall really going to perform

As I entered the auditorium, I could see that this facility is not normally equipped for sketch comedy, as evidenced by the folding chairs and smoke lingering just above my head.

The show began with a short movie that introduced each member of the comedy group which then flowed into a Dr. Seuss' version of the life of Jesus Christ, complete with a fold-out cross and wig. "The Kids" then began a series of skits ranging from a blind date with a chicken-woman to a surprise corporate birthday party, each skit showing the range of comedic abilities of these five Canadians.

The show included numerous jokes and skits related to America and Vermont. The audience even seemed a little offended by the comedy directed toward America (even the name of the tour suggested the political leanings of the Kids), especially during a skit by Thompson, where he made reference to school shootings. So "The Kids" showed the true hallmark of good sketch comedy, leaving the audience wondering whether they should laugh or shout, and then watching each other to find out how to react.

The highlight of the show came when Buddy Cole (Scott Thompson) related a story about performing fellatio on Uday Hussein, Saddam Hussein's son, which included what amounted to a professional turkey hunting call.

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comedic form, while actively engaging the audience. There was even one skit where Mark McKinney, playing the head crusher, turned a camera on the audience and proceeded to point out various aspects of their appearance, and then crush their heads. Needless to say, the show received good reception from the

Vermont crowd, and ended with the promise that they will maybe come back to Burlington.

The Kids in the Hall include Dave Foley, Scott Thompson, McCulloch, Kevin McDonald and Mark McKinney. They have been performing together since the mid-80s and wrap up their 2002 Tour of Duty May 24 in Phoenix, Arizona.

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2002-2003 Men's Hockey Captains Announced

The Men's Hockey team held its annual post-season banquet Saturday night, with the winners of the post-season awards announced as well as the new captains for the 2002-2003 season.

The John C. Cunningham Most Valuable Player award was presented to sophomore forward Patrick Sharp. Sharp, a third-round draft choice of the Philadelphia Flyers in 2001, was the team's leading scorer in 2001-02, scoring 13 goals, including four on the power play, and adding 13 assists for 26 points. In two seasons, Sharp has 25 goals and 28 assists

Deane Ran His Way Through Record Books

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We haven't had a track meet here in six or seven years because our facilities just don't meet the standards. There are high schools with a better track than us."

The website www.uvmtrack.com is a website where George and many other supporters of track pour their hearts out and express their emotions about the athletic cuts. The site also includes letters of correspondence between Deane and Interim President Colodny.

Deane began running competitively in sixth grade and at now at 22 years of age, he has no intent of stopping. What is scariest for his competition is that distance and mid-distance runners don't reach their peak until 26 or so.

In 50 out of the 52 weeks in the year Deane will run 55 to 60 miles in a week. Ironically enough, a stress fracture in his foot from overtraining last year forced him to sit out the entire season. The injury allowed him to make a no-brainer easy decision for himself to redshirt that season and come back for a fifth and final year at UVM.

"I couldn't have lived with myself if I had walked away from an injury like that. I really wanted to finish out the right way and come back for another year here."

After Deane departs from UVM, he hopes to continue his running career as a coach at the high school level while teaching. Hewants to teach a subject that he has made the most of: History.

MEN'S HOCKEY

for 53 points in 65 games.

The George C. Buzzell Rookie of the Year award was presented to forward Scott Mifsud. One of the exciting young players in the ECAC, Mifsud was among the league's leading freshmen scorers. In 28 games, he finished with eight goals – second on the team – and seven assists for 15 points.

The Jim Cross Coaches' Award was given to senior assistant captain Mark Gouett. Gouett was a solid, physical defenseman for four years for the Catamounts. He scored one goal and added one assist for two points in 2001-02, and finished his career with four goals and 11 assists for 15 points in 102 games.

The Travel Network Player of the Year award was presented to junior goaltender Shawn Conschafter. Conschafter played in 27 games in 2001-02, recording 758 saves and a 3.89 goals-against average. In 19 ECAC games, Conschafter posted a .901 save percentage and a 3.72 GAA.

The Hosmer Graham Friends of UVM Hockey award was presented to senior captain Ryan Cox Cox served as captain of the team in 2001-02, and finished the season with four goals and two assists for six points. The UVM Service to Hockey Award was presented to longtime off-ice official and scoreboard operator Dick Young.

Coach Mike Gilligan also announced the captains for the 2002-03 season. Senior defenseman Thomas Hajek and senior forward John Longo will serve as cocaptains, while senior forwards Bryson Busniuk and Ryan Miller will be assistant captains.

The Catamounts, 3-26-2 last season, will open the 2002-03 season at Gutterson Fieldhouse against the Northeastern Huskies on Saturday, October 5th, 2002 at 7:00pm.

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UVM to Host Road Nationals

The UVM Cycling Club will host the 2002 Collegiate Road Nationals on May 10-12. NCCA Road Nationals will attract up to 350 top-level collegiate cyclist throughout the country.

These athletes will be representing over 50 schools racing for a National Championship in the Road Race, Criterium and Team Time Trial disciplines. The cyclists have been competing in their respective regional conferences throughout the spring semester qualifying for this event.

This is the first time in nearly 10 years that an East Coast school has hosted Collegiate Nationals.

The UVM Cycling Team has been well represented during the season (3rd overall) with both a strong Men's and Women's Team. Kevin Bouchard-Hall has been leading the Men to victory as well as Sarah Uhl (current Junior Track World Champion) on the Women's side.

With fantastic competition, a professional results and scoring company (PEP Results), and the largest concentration of collegiate racers in the country, the ECCC is

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one of the best places to race and with Nationals being in theirbackyard, these teams are surely going to take advantage of this.

Courses are said to be of epic proportion. The Start/Finish of the 1.5km course is located at the top of Summit Street near Champlain College. Racers will be traveling in excess of 35mph around this course doing nearly 30 laps.

On Saturday, the 65 mile Mad River Road Race goes through the heart of the Green Mountains. The course is one of the premier venues in North America.

With two incredible mountain passes and a mountaintop finish that exceeds 20% grade, the event is sure to determine a true Collegiate Road Race champion. All competitors will be treated to gorgeous Green Mountain scenery, classic New England weather, and an infused, vocal crowd of thousands of spectators that will be waiting for them on the last kilometer of Appalachian Gap.

Smith Voted As Top Underrated Player

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Senior Libby Smith has been named to the WOMENSCOL-LEGEHOOPS.COM All American Underrated Team.

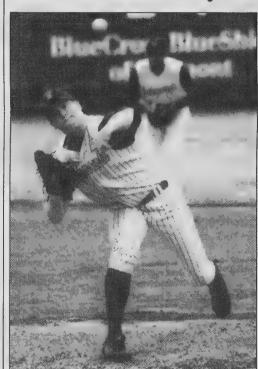
Smith, also captain of the men's golf team at UVM, was an America East All-Conference first team selection this past season. She started every game of her career, 122 straight, and finished the 2001-2002 season leading the team in rebounding (6.9 rpg) despite being a 5-9 guard. Smith also chipped in 9.9 points per game and handed out 104 assists.

Smith closed out her career leading UVM to a 23-9 overall record and its second America East regular season title in her four years (14-2).

She also became the 13 Catamount to score 1,000 career points and the only player to score over 1,000 points, grab over 500 rebounds and hand out over 400 assists in the history of the program.

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"It's a Great Day for Baseball, Let's Play Two."







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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

The baseball team made up a rained out double header on Sunday against Pace. (clockwise from the top) An unidentified UVM player dives back to first base during an errant throw, a passed ball gets by the Pace catcher, starter Derek Miller delivers records one of his six strikeouts.

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Ah, the day I have waiting been for is fast approaching.

Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

I have had Saturday, April 20th marked on my

Britney Spears calendar since I got it for Christmas.

Saturday will be that one day a year where my mind can be taken over to the point where I probably won't even leave my room all day, not even to go to the library.

Yes, it is the NFL draft. What did you think I was talking about? During hours upon hours of coverage, I will sit here and watch Mel Kiper Jr.'s annual two-day claim to fame. Glued to my recliner with the remote in hand and pizza on the way, could this day be any better?

I know that it is April and I should be basking in the sun that Vermont has not seen in what feels like a lifetime, dreaming about homeruns, strikeouts, and Nomar's batting gloves, but not this weekend. To get me back in the football mood that has faded away ever since the Pats pulled off the improbable, I will have to pop in "Any Given Sunday" and "The Program," followed by me randomly yelling at strangers walking by my room, 'laces out Marino!'

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The expansion team, the Houston Texans, have the first pick this year and have already said that they will choose quarterback David Carr from Fresno State. How much fun is that? Everyone knew who they would pick, but couldn't they just leave me with a little bit of suspense?

After that, who knows? North Carolina's defensive end Julius Peppers, a man chiseled out of gramite, looks to probably stay instate with the Carolina Panthers, nabbing him the second pick.

There are two other quarterbacks that come to mind when I think about this year's draft, but for different reasons. First there is Joey Harrington, Mr. West Coast hype himself, who will go in the · top ten, but exactly where is still up in the air.

Then there is Heisman Trophy winner Eric Crouch. Crouch will not be drafted as a quarterback, his natural position, if drafted at all. Hoping to get picked up in the later rounds as a running back, it makes you think about how many sports tell their supposedly "top amateur" that he isn't good enough to play professionally.

By SCOTT WOODRUFF

There is something about hanging out with George Deane that makes you want to run the 1500 meters in a time of 3:51 or less.

But unless you are part of an elite group of runners in New England or George Deane himself, you can't do

Deane, now in his fifth year at UVM, is just a few weeks away from completing his 12th varsity season of either Cross Country, Indoor Track and Field or Outdoor Track and Field.

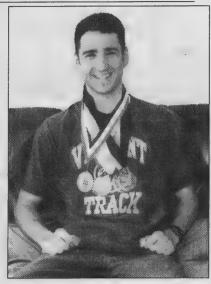
"I like to win," says Deane. "There is a very competitive spirit in running that I have. I like to push myself to see what I can really do."

George has certainly shown himself and the University of Vermont what he can do. He owns four school records, including the indoor mile record of 4:08.89 and has an America East title in the 1000 meters. He was also part of the distance medley relay team that broke the 18 year-old school record of 10:04.42 at the New **England Indoor**

Track and Field Championships last

All these accomplishments are important to Deane, but when it comes to the fate of the Track and Field program, they take a back seat.

"Needless to say, I'm very disappointed. That's a huge understatement," says the normally jovial Deane, who quickly becomes quiet when the fact that his program which



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Deane is one of UVM's most decorated

he has put so much time into is being cut at the end of next season.

"A lot of people say to me, 'What does it matter to you, you won't even be here next year,' but it does matter a lot because I have dedicated five years of my life to this program. I've help to build it into what it is right now and we've really done a lot."

To Deane, a lack of funding to the Track program is nothing new.

"Of the five years that I've been here," he says, "I've only competed at a home event three times and all three of those were Cross Country meets.

See "Deane Ran" on Page 11.

Women Go 1-2 on the Week

LaMere Continues to Move Up UVM Scoring List

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The UVM women's lacrosse team dropped its second game in as many days Sunday, losing 18-4 at

Freshman Mackenzie Dean had one goal, giving her 14 for the season. Molly Sheehan, Allie Mitchell and senior tri-captain Courtney LaMere also scored for the Catamounts, 5-3 overall.

LaMere, who has 26 goals in eight games, now has 79 career goals, putting her fourth all-time at Vermont. Her 99 career points place her fifth all-time as she is on the verge of becoming only the fourth player in Catamount history to record 100 or more points.

In goal, Vermont's Kate McBride and Holly Roberts combined for 13 saves, while Jane Murray and Kaitlin King combined for seven stops for Colgate, 5-9 overall.

Saturday, Fairfield blew open a tight game with nine unanswered goals in the second half in a 17-6 nonleague women's lacrosse win over Vermont at Centennial Field.

The Stags, led 8-6 with 12:33 left the game after Vermont's Mackenzie Dean scored. Fairfield then rattled off nine straight goals, with Jessica Conahan scoring three and assisting on two others.

Freshman Nicole Rifenbary scored twice for the Catamounts, while senior tri-captain Courtney Keefe also tallied.

Conahan's five goals and two assists paced Fairfield. Megan Urh added four goals and one assist, and Megan Cunningham contributed three goals.

In goal, Vermont's McBride made 17 saves, while Monica Janowitz had 10 saves.

Sophomore Sheehan scored six goals and added an assist as the Lady Cats rolled to their fifth victory of the season over non-league foe Sienna, 21-5, Thursday.

The Catamounts jumped out to an 11-4 lead at the half and increased the lead with 10 second-half goals, including the final eight of the game. LaMere scored three goals and added three assists to continue her terrific

Dean contributed three goals and one assist, as did Rifenbary. Vanessa Cox also had three goals, while Lizzie Dower added two and Corinne St. John had a goal and an assist. Senior tri-captain Keefe recorded three assists.

The Catamounts play at in-state rival Middlebury Tuesday at 4 p.m., and host Albany in an important America East match Thursday at 4 p.m. at Centennial Field.

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Deane Leaves His Mark at UVM | Braves Use Speed to Defeat Men in OT

MEN'S LACROSSE

Quinnipiac's Jeff Speed scored with 1:08 remaining in the first overtime period to lead his team to a hard-fought 9-8 win over Vermont in an America East men's lacrosse game Saturday at UVM's Centennial Field.

Speed's goal ended a tremendous game that saw Vermont jump out to a 3-0 lead after one quarter, only to have Quinnipiac respond with five unanswered goals in the second quarter to take a 5-3 lead at the half.

In the third quarter, Vermont, 4-7 overall and 0-3 in America East play, got goals from JP Harrison and Phil McKnight to tie the game at 5-

Quinnipiac came back again with three straight goals by Mike Baglio, Joe Baglio and Brendan Talbot to take an 8-5 lead.

Vermont cut it to 8-6 late in the third on Thomas Hajek's goal with 1:20 remaining, and the Catamounts used goals by McKnight - his third of the game - and Doug Moses to force overtime.

After Vermont misfired on a scoring attempt midway overtime, the through Quinnipiac drove down the field and Andy Pellitier set up Speed at the top of the box.

Speed ripped a low shot that went through a tangle of players and past Vermont goalie Ed Burns for the win.

Joe Baglio and Mike Baglio each scored three goals for Quinnipiac, while John Giordano and Talbot also scored.

For Vermont, McKnight finished with three goals, while Moses had two goals and an assist. Hajek had a goal and an assist, and Mark Prior and Harrison also scored.

In goal, Burns was outstanding for Vermont, finishing with 18 saves, while TJ Barnett was brilliant for Quinnipiac, finishing with nine saves, including three in the final 10 minutes of regulation.

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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Vermont faced off against Quinnipiac, losing in sudden death overtime.

Errors Prove to be Costly for Cats in Loss

BASEBALL

Two errors allowed Pace to score four unearned runs as they came back to top Vermont, 10-8, in 10 innings in UVM's home opener at Centennial Field on Saturday afternoon.

After a single by Doug Hehner, Mike Bohlander advanced home on left fielder Jason Carey's error to allow Pace to tie it at 7-7 in the eighth. In the tenth, Bohlander (5-for-5) and Shelby Langford singled to start the winning

With the bases loaded, they both came home as Vermont firstbaseman Barry Chamberland, fielding a wet ball, overthrew catcher Jeff Tarigo.

John Green's sacrifice fly added the last run.

Down 2-0, and held without a hit by Pace starter Joe Magri, Vermont with two outs in the fourth had six straight

hits to score six times. Raymond Montanez singled in a pair and Carey hit his first career homer, a two-run shot to right to cap the big inning.

The Setters bounced back to tie with four runs in the top of the fifth before Vermont (10-11) went ahead, 7-6, in the bottom half as Tarigo squeezed home Jeff Barry.

Five Catamount pitchers combined to strikeout 16 hitters including starter Derek Miller who had six K's before being removed with elbow pain in the third.

The third UVM hurler, Justin Bissonnette (0-2), was the tough-luck loser allowing only one earned run in fourplus innings. Leading a strong bullpen effort, Patrick Stanley (1-0) earned the win for Pace (7-21) as their relievers allowed just one UVM hit after the fifth inning.

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Binge Drinking A Problem College Women

By KRISTIN DOBBS

Some do it to feel relaxed. Some for it to feel socially accepted. Some do it to feel good.

Whatever the reason, more college women are involved in drinking; especially binge drinking, more than ever.

"Drinking has become a social lubricant," said Kay Francis Shepp, director of the Counseling Center at UVM.

"Since the 1990's, the quantity of women drinking a lot has gone up."

Binge drinking for women consists of having four drinks in a row, and has gone up to 39 percent among women who drink, according to Higher Education Center's National Study on Binge Drinkers.

Over 3.3 million students, or 41% of the total US college population, engaged in binge drinking in the past month.

Women are also being treated for higher alcohol levels than men.

At UVM, according to a recent TIME article, the average blood-alcohol level of drunken women being treated at the hospital is .20 - 10 percent higher than

that of intoxicated men, and twice more of the legal limit of .08.

Although all college students are at risk to binge drink, freshman are more likely, and sorority sisters are four times as likely than other students to binge drink.

"I know a lot of girls who drink every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night to get drunk," said Megan*, a sorority sister. "They feel like they are in college, young, and living it up."

While the number of women binge drinkers has increased, the number of women who get drunk as much or more than their male peers has risen as well.

"Some girls try to beat guys at drinking games," said Megan. "They get the biggest rush out of beating a guy. I can't stand to watch it."

Some see attempting to impress as a factor for why women might try to drink men "under the table."

"When girls compete with boys, girls think they are impressing people," said Myrtle*, a freshman. "They try to keep up and they can't. They keep trying to go, go, go. They don't know their tol-

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Jason Robinson/VC Staff

Two female UVM students enjoy a drink at a bar in Burlington.

UVM Receives Million Dollar Grant for Forest Research

The University of Vermont's School of Natural Resources received a \$1 million appropriation to spur research in forest management and land stewardship in the 26-million acre Northern Forest that stretches from eastern Maine through New Hampshire and Vermont to northern New York.

The UVM-sponsored research will look specifically at the interplay - and sometime conflict - between social, economic, and ecological interests in the area.

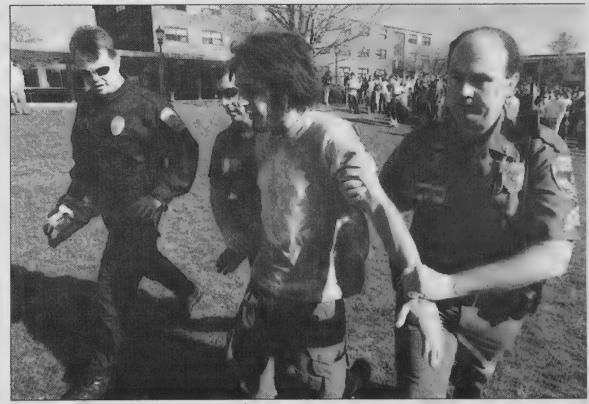
The School of Natural Resources will allocate funds to a diverse set of research projects relevant to the Northern Forest region through a competitive proposal process.

"The Northern Forest is one of the country's great regions," said U.S. Sen. Patrick Leahy, who was instrumental in securing the appropriation for UVM.

"It is not only of national ecological and economic significance, it is also attractive as a recreational asset for residents and visitors alike. We need to have the basic research in hand to develop sound policy to balance what are often competing interests. With UVM's help, the goal is to benefit the people who live

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"4/20" Nearly Stopped by Concert



Andy Duback/VC Staff

A UVM student is arrested on Redstone Campus on April 20 for disorderly conduct after encouraging other students to smoke pot publicly.

Police Break Up Groups In Redstone Campus, Ask Non-Affiliates to Leave Area

By DAMON LUCIANO

The UVM Administration and the Student Government Association thwarted year's '4/20 demonstration' by placing a concert in the Bailey/Howe Quad, where large numbers of students and non-affiliates had publicly smoked pot on April 20 in the past several years.

UVM placed a concert in the Quad in order to limit access to UVM students and a small number of non-affiliates, search backpacks and attempt to prevent another mass public display of pot smoking.

Only a small handful of individuals could be found in the venue area smoking pot. Also in the venue area a non-affiliated individual fell unconscious and began vomiting, after consuming hallucinogenic mushrooms.

In addition, police charged a UVM student in the Redstone area with disorderly conduct after he encouraged individuals to participate in a display of pot smoking, according to police.

UVM Police Chief, Gary Margolis, thought the effort to turn "4/20 day" into a drug free event was successful, involving a minimal number of arrests.

"Four-twenty is not something that the University as a whole - you know, faculty, staff and students - were really proud of," Margolis said.

Margolis also said about seventy-five students did gather and smoke marijuana on Redstone Campus at 4:20 a.m.

In addition, a crowd numbering about 100 smoked marijuana near the Harris/Millis complex at

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UVM Police Chief

about 4:20 p.m, according to UVM student, Seth Gundersen.

Gundersen, who witnessed the event but did not participate, also said UVM police were not present during the "session."

Some students expressed distress after the University's attempt to bring an end to what many call a UVM 'tradition,' despite "4/20 day's" short history of at UVM.

Spring Fest '02 planners say they designed the event to help promote community at UVM, not silence people's views on marijuana.

"I liked it a lot better last year," said UVM Sophomore, Chris Snell. "They killed the tradition really fast. ... I just kind of feel disappointed," added Snell.

A large number of non-affiliated individuals sat outside the concert venue after being refused entry because the concert was sold out.

Some of them reported coming to "4/20 day" in past years, and one group reported coming from as far away as Maine.

Most non-affiliates in the area also said they liked last year's event more.

UVM Junior Tristan Leggett also expressed concern about replacing "4/20 day" with Spring Fest '02.

"Our winter carnival is a joke; 4/20 is the biggest day of

the year here," Leggett said.

"It's ridiculous that they think they need this many cops at this event," Legget said, while leaving Redstone Campus for the concert venue.

Rumors spread that students would publicly smoke pot at Redstone Campus, Margolis said.

At Redstone campus a heavy police presence - by one count as many as twenty plainclothes police officers - meandered through the area, asking for student identification, and limiting the number of 'guests' in the area to one per UVM student with ID.

According to an officer on Redstone Campus, "If you're not a resident here you don't belong here and were going to ask you to leave."

Officers at Redstone Campus asked several individuals to leave the area and charged one non-affiliate with possession of marijuana, according to UVM Police Services' Daily Summaries.

According to Margolis, between forty and fifty officers attended the event.

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Students Should Protest With Class

The infamous 4/20 came and went at UVM this year. The day once saved for gathering in front of Bailey/Howe and smoking while under the watchful eye of the police turned into a nice Saturday afternoon.

With the implementation of Spring Fest, UVMers were given something to do on a weekend other hang out in the dorms. While some were enjoying the beautiful weather at the festival, others felt the weight of the end of the 4/20 celebrations.

The police cracked down this year, as promised, and for some, at the cost of their civil liberties. Bags were checked, bodies patted down, Across the campus on the Redstone greens, students were only allowed onto them if they had a UVM I.D. Some students were upset that their civil rights were being restricted, but things need to be looked at in the larger spectrum.

And after years of "civil disobedience" on the campus greens, the police had to take some measures if they were going to crack down and end the problem.

Many claim they smoke marijuana on 4/20 in protest, but the yearly event at

UVM wasn't a protest; it was a party.

If students want to engage in civil disobedience and truly want to make a difference by using that measure, then why didn't students called the ACLU to help stop the administration?

Does the University want to inhibit students' rights? No. Is it concerned about its image? Yes. While the school does encourage students' amendment rights, the driving force of the University is money and its image.

The yearly 4/20 celebration made the University look ridiculous, and the administration felt they had to stop it. In cooperation with students and administration, that happened this year.

Besides a few isolated arrests, the weekend went according to plan. Image makes a big difference when it comes to getting a message across.

Do it because you really believe in the cause. Protest so the message is heard and taken seriously, not ignored and dismissed. After this weekend, UVM is back on its way to changing its image, and removing the big cloud of pot above Burlington.

Women Should Respect Themselves

It is 7 p.m. on Saturday evening and three women stand in front of a mirror doing what some women in college do Saturday night: Put on make-up. Talk about their favorite guys. Take shots of rum.

Later that night, or morning, one woman is passed out on her friend's couch. Another is at Rasputin's unsure of what time it is, and the other is in the arms of an unknown man whispering things in her ear.

These three women are not atypical girls in the college environment for this generation. They are dangerously representing of a gender subjecting themselves to the dangers of alcohol abuse.

Rape, STDs, kidnapping, pregnancy, and many other things that your parents, health teacher, and friends will warn you about. For some reason though, so many collegiate females refuse to heed any of this invaluable advice.

Women who binge drink are drinking for everyone else and not for themselves. Ask one of them if they are drinking because they like throwing up in their own hair. Ask another is they don't mind if men fondle them while they are drunk. Question another about whether or not she knows she is not wearing shoes on a dirty, musty base-

It is 7 p.m. on Saturday evening and ment floor covered in stale beer and cigarette butts. Chances are you will get a blank stare in return.

It is in the view of these alcohol-inhaling women that their intoxication will make them appear more appealing to that of the male population. While for some men this could be true; the reality is that men tend to be losing more respect for these women as they stumble over themselves while they try and keep the funnel in their mouth so the beer doesn't spill all over their new J. Crew top

The answer to all of this is an increase of self-respect on behalf of all women. Spend a little more time at your desk and do some school work. Maybe give the grand-parents a call and tell them how life at UVM is. Do some volunteering and one just might start feeling better about themselves.

Little by little those guys who keep calling you because you promised to sleep with them, yet fail to remember promising that, will stop calling you. Your new Steve Maddens will stop getting stained and everyone on campus will not know you as, "The one who gives lap dances after four shots of Bacardi".

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Privatization Is Not the Answer

To the Editor

I was deeply disheartened at the selfcentric and elitist attitude in the article last week on privatization.

With his factually incorrect information, the article attempts to make a case for the privatization of UVM.

Let me remind the author that this is not the U. _of_ Suburban New Englanders but the U. _of_ Vermont.

Its primary mission is to bring a high quality university education to the citizens of Vermont.

In the 1950's when Pres. Borgman fought for this university to identify itself as a public institution, this was one of his main concerns.

Private schools had developed into

playgrounds for an elite. He saw a huge disparity between the upwardly mobile and the average Vermonter.

His vision was a well educated populace that could advance its standing, income, and quality of life.

It is indeed unfortunate that UVM is grossly underfunded, but privatization is not the answer.

We should not cater to an elite but to the public constituency, raising the education of all our people, not just the few, the proud, the rich.

Sir, find your own school...or at least share ours.

Christopher Ettori Class of 2002

Anti-Rape Campaign Needs Examination

To the Editor:

I felt obliged to write regarding the current "anti-rape" campaign underway on the UVM campus.

As some might remember from past years, this campaign is manifested in signs posted across campus depicting slogans such as "She Fears You" and "Men Rape".

My simple question is this: what is this type of campaign aimed to accomplish? Is it to deter potential or actual rapists or its it to raise general awareness of the horrific existence and persistence of rape? If it is the former, how can these types of slogans be effective in deterring actual or potential rapists?

Perhaps the slogans are meant, instead, to raise a general awareness to the problem of rape? My problem is this: how is the awareness that "women fear me" going to bring about a positive and beneficial effect within a non-rapist's mentality that will help to fight the problem of rape itself?

Don't be mistaken, I know that rape is a serious problem that must be addressed. Perhaps we should work to: 1) make reports about rape incidents accurate as well as to 2) force better police assistance in the investigation of rape incidents and the persecution of rapists.

The recent article in the April 16 edition of the Cynic titled "UVM Woman Assaulted on Campus" was quite misleading.

First of all, the victim of the crime was, herself, the impetus for the male to flee the scene, not the arrival of police units.

More importantly though, I have doubts to the extent that the police have this case "still under investigation".

The victim herself had to remind the police to take down her information so that she could be contacted; they never even asked her.

Furthermore, their initial investigation of the crime scene was summed up by "So it happened over there" with a flashlight aimed at a large portion of dark bushes.

No close up investigation was made or specific questions asked regarding the location of the victim or perpetuator.

We should address the rapists themselves, the incidents of rape and the failure of the local police to adequately investigate and deter cases of rape on campus.

> Raymond J. Croteau III Class of 2002

Greeks Serve Campus and Community

To the Editor:

Have you heard about the Greeks lately? Here's your chance to find out what the Greeks have been up to. Even though the Greek students at UVM only constitute about 6-8% of the undergraduate population, their size is no indication of the active role they play in the UVM community.

Just last month, Jon Badaracco and Shawna Well, both members of the Greek system, were elected SGA President and Vice President.

So congratulations to Jon and Shawna, but what has the Greek system done as a whole? This semester, Greeks have hosted campus-wide events such as anti-hazing workshops and talk about date rape and depression.

They have also supported the United College Club, which also includes

Champlain College, St. Michael's College by chaperoning teen dances and giving monetary donations in an effort to send three students on the AIDS vaccine ride

The Greeks have also supported the greater Burlington community by participating in such events as the Burlington City Mardi Gras parade and the Burlington City Street Slalom.

In addition, individual chapters host events all the time. For instance, Phi Delta Theta just held a concert on 4/20, providing a place for students to enjoy themselves without the use of drugs or alcohol. And you thought the Greeks were a bunch of booze-bags. Well, think again!

Beth Rice and Matthew Ogelby Panhellenic Council and IFC Vice Presidents of Public Relations.

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I Feel the Earth Move Under My Feet



tion of this column, AOL decided to quench its thirst with a tall glass Ashley's efforts.

Ashley Lyons

Enter the feel-Cynic Columnist ing of infinite doom . when

As I hovered

over comple-

whatever program you are so using crashes, eradicating the fruits of your labor.

But as I conceived of ways to end the bane that is my existence, I realized that I would, at least, die happy.

After all, I have seen Burlington on 4/20, experienced an earthquake and lived through the transition from toxic to edible Play-Doh.

Honestly, though, it is the geological carnival that allows for my contented passage.

Unbelievably, following the cessation of a Californian heat wave, we received a Californian earth burp.

However, I distinctly remember being in kindergarten when I heard that in 15-20 years, our region would fall victim to a galumpagus earthquake. That was thirteen years ago.

The Mistress of Middle Earth is gearing up to become Lady of the Household.

But I fear not, because the earthquake was incredible. To think that our bodies identified what was up regardless of most of us never having previously been in a rumbler is fascinating.

Quipped one 16-year-old from Montreal, "Wow! Sex, drugs, rock n' roll and earthquakes? UVM rules!"

Imagine what signals were sent to the brain's perception center by the bodies of the dramatihallucinogenicallyenhanced!

My weary noggin, not at th' peak of its performance on Saturdays at 6:30 a.m., thought a helicopter was flying lowly and loudly overhead.

But bizarrely soon after, ye ol' cranium was analyzing the situation in terms of literature and parallels thereof.

Over X-mas break, I read John Irving's A Prayer for Owen Meany. The first 200+ pages are

tedious and seemingly irrelevant.

But when I got into the meat of the book, I realized that those pages were a compilation of very deliberate, crucial data.

Likewise, the earthquake was positively the product of so many of my life's components.

Color me zany, but I sleep on the floor. However, if I didn't, I would not likely have felt the strength of the quake so intensely nor necessarily have woken up so

Label me loco, but I am freakishly afraid of hearing and seeing people throw up. I always slept with the radio on in case someone were to become ill in the middle of the night. Less paranoid now, I still let the tunes flow out of an acquired love.

If I didn't, I could not have

heard the announcer react to his own town's magnitudinal reception as it occurred several seconds after ours.

And were I not so eccentric, my pals would not have been sleeping on the floor with me, curled up in an Arctic seal pile, and no one would have awoken to, amidst the rumble, "Aliens are landing!"

Of course, such a precursor to the already surreal day that is 4/20 only added to the fun and frolic. Quipped one 16-year-old from Montreal, "Wow! Sex, drugs, rock n' roll and earthquakes? UVM rules!"

So I'm not positively excited by the crash of AOL as I am by that of tectonic plates. Call me fussy. Call me to revel in 4/20/02: the first annual Shake and Bake.

Athletes' Achievements Please Director



Richard Farnham

Vice-The President recently asked me to answer two questions. The first was 'What would tell the

new President about your programs that you could be proud

of?" and the second was "What would you tell him that sometimes keeps you up at night?"

They were both easy questions.

I first thought bout the quality of student-athletes in UVM's programs.

Our student-athletes are truly students, first excelling in the classroom and then on the playing fields.

This is clearly evident, as our athletes' GPA is above that of the general student population and our graduation rates surpass those of the overall University.

These are the same students whose men's and women's basketball teams both won the America East regular season conference championships this past season. The two teams combine for over a 3.00 GPA.

Our student-athletes are truly students, first excelling in the classroom and then on the playing fields.

Secondly, I thought about the difficulty we have as an institution in keeping up and funding our programs. I am sure this is no surprise, but our task is to find ways of enhancing the foundation of support for athletics so that we will be able to continue our program at a quality level.

Some of the ways would be through greater alumni development, corporate sponsorship, fund raising activities, and some form of base funding built into the institution's cost as other conference members have initiated.

These points aside, it is easy for me to feel positive about our programs because of the tremendous accomplishments and personal character of so many of our athletes!

Just to highlight a few, all I have to do is tell you about Jeff Guilmette who has already won seven America East Track and Field Championships in the shot put and will pursue his eighth this spring.

What about Trevor Gains and Libby Smith being named firstteam All-America East for basketball and TJ Sorrentine being named Player of the Year after his sophomore season.

And then there are Scott Radimer and Krista Balogh from our dedicated group of swimmers who practice day in and day out in a labor-intensive training workout, just to shave a fraction of a second off their times.

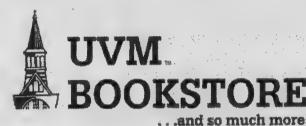
Our nationally ranked skiers, Shaina Mulkern and Alex Krebs have won and lost national championships by hundredths of sec-

And, the work ethics of soccer players Megan Galbreath and Jamie Farrell would be hard to

These athletes and so many more students just like them keep me positive, and I enjoy their tremendous efforts on the fields of play and in the class-

They are tremendous examples of everything that is good and correct in intercollegiate athletics today!

Guest Columnist Richard A. Farnham is UVM's Director of Athletics.



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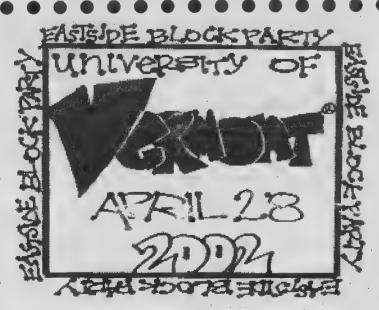
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Oil Driven Foreign Policy Leads to War and Crimes Against Humanity

Last week, the democratically elected president of Venezuela, Hugo Chavez, was overthrown by a military coup and imprisoned for 43 hours. Military officers and business leaders were upset that Chavez intended to use money from Venezuela's national oil company to fund social programs aimed at the working classes.

Nations around the world unanimously rejected this illegal subversion of democracy with one exception.

The United States, in keeping with its history of support for violent right-wing takeovers of Latin American governments, immediately recognized the coup as legiti-

Calling Ariel Sharon a man of peace is like calling Genghis Khan a man of peace.

The installed president planned to pull Venezuela, one of the four largest petroleum producing countries in the world, out of OPEC, which would allow the US access to cheap oil.

When Chavez was rightly reinstalled as president two days later, the White House looked pretty stupid trying to

explain itself.

This particular foreign policy blunder was brought to you by the same people who armed terrorist paramilitary groups in Nicaragua in the 1980s and then lied to Congress about it. Just like in the Reagan administration, Colin Powell defended the military coup by reiterating his support for democracy.

The policies of the Bush administration are shot through with hypocrisies like

"I believe Ariel Sharon is a man of peace," the president said last week after Sharon ignored his request that the Israelis withdraw from the West Bank.

Calling Ariel Sharon a man of peace is like calling Genghis Khan a man of peace. In 1982, Sharon supervised the massacre of 2,000 civilians in southern Lebanon.

He has always supported the continued building of settlements in the occupied territories. In the past two weeks, he has destroyed whole villages and buried hundreds of civilians alive.

He is not interested in allowing the Palestinians an independent state; he is interested in driving them from the territories altogether. The Belgian International The drive for oil will be at the heart of major conflicts in the coming years, and wars will become more frequent if America insists upon its right to hoard and consume as much as possible.

Criminal Court is considering bringing him up on charges of war crimes.

Yet Bush will never stand up to Sharon and call him what he is. Sharon realizes that Bush needs a strong Israel in order to intimidate our "friends," the totalitarian Arab regimes in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq, into selling him cheap oil (notice a connec-

Israel will use this license to humiliate and bludgeon Yasir Arafat into signing a peace deal that strips Palestinians of their dignity and denies their right to return to the homeland that was taken from them. Even though it was our Middle East policies that caused the tragedy of September 11, don't expect Bush to change anything

The point is that our dependence on cheap imported oil forces us to compromise our principles and our security. This will

continue to be true no matter how many pristine wilderness areas we destroy because there just isn't enough domestic supply to feed our insatiable need for oil and gas.

The policies of exploration and foreign exploitation are fossils from an earlier time that no longer make any sense and actually do much more harm than good.

The drive for oil will be at the heart of major conflicts in the coming years, and wars will become more frequent if America insist upon its right to hoard and consume as much as it can imagine.

The Bush administration is blindly leading us backwards into a cycle of violence that began with the Persian Gulf War and has continued through New York and Afghanistan and the West Bank.

It will take a serious reorganization of this nation's priorities in order to avert further disasters, and it will be impossible when the public is disrespected and lied to by hypocritical leaders like the ones we've got now.

Cynic Columnist Chris Pedler is a member of the class of 2003.

University Must Take Bigger Steps to Ensure Campus Safety

The recent attacks on woman lege residential areas as well. both on and off campus have triggered fear within our student body

Many students live under the illusion that just because they go to school in Vermont, this type of crime will not occur.

The police services' statistics website cites that these assaults only happen a few times a year, but the fact is that they still occur.

This University needs to take better measures in aiding their students on self-security.

In talking with other students, many suggested that self-defense classes should be offered at the beginning of each semester.

These classes would provide education to students in how to deal with one of these situations more effectively, whether through fighting back, macing the attacker, or getting to a blue phone.

A student should have more than one option available to protect themselves in case something

One way that the school has dealt with this situation is by distributing a yellow whistle to fresh-

These whistles that no one ever keeps seem ineffective.

What is a person supposed to do if they are attacked and no one hears the whistle?

The University should consider replacing these whistles with mace and screech alarms.

Screech alarms are key chain sized objects that, when activated, emit not only an ear piercing sound, but also a strong flashing

Due to their size and effectiveness in startling attackers, screech alarms have become an increasingly popular tool for woman on college campuses.

UVM needs to install more blue lights, not only on campus but throughout the downtown col-

Hundreds of UVM students live within these areas and walk up these streets from downtown at

Despite this fact, the streets are property of the City of Burlington, and the University should attempt to negotiate a deal for an expansion of this program to this area.

By forming an alliance with the city of Burlington on this issue, UVM can not only establish a safer area for UVM students to live, but strengthen their relationship with the city of Burlington.

The presence of bluelights gives students a greater sense of security that they could quickly contact someone to come to their aid in case of an attack.

Streets such a Main, Buell, and South Willard are ideal places that could benefit from off campus blue lights.

University The strengthen the safe ride program. Currently, there is only one van and the people that drive on the weekend are stretched thin in terms of availability at night.

This is one of the most popular programs at this University and needs to be expanded.

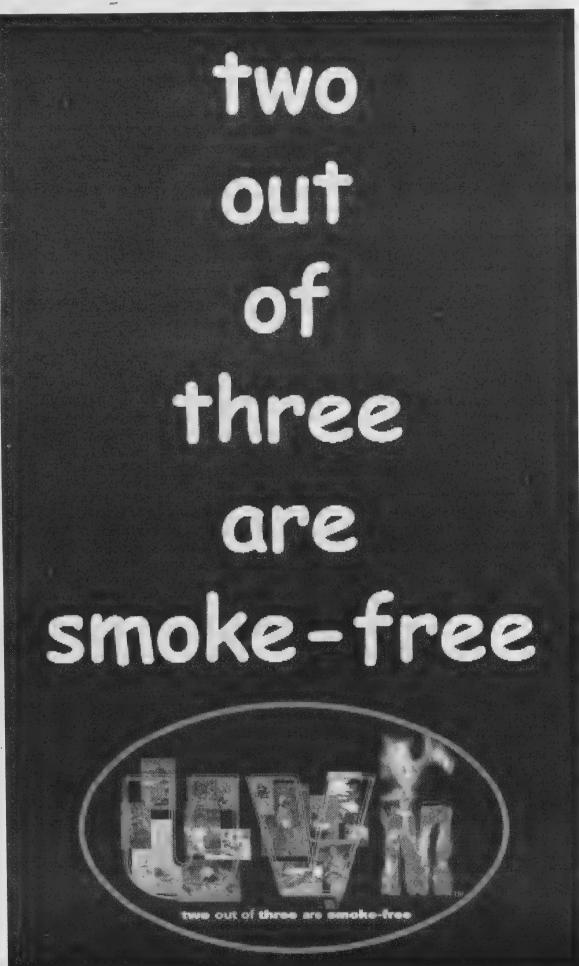
By providing more vans, the University would be able to ensure that students have a safe ride home to their rooms at night.

Another idea would be to extend the hours of the late night off campus bus on the weekends.

What harm would it be to have the busses running after the bars or late night parties got out on the weekends.

After all, wouldn't the peace of mind that students are getting home safely outweigh the cost of these programs.

Cynic Columnist Mike Banyas is a member of the class of 2003.



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Cassandra Miller, a first-year student, takes a break after her climb up Volkswagon's inflatable rock wall. Volkswagon also brought free pizza, hats and tee-shirts, a large hood ornament and sponsored the Monster's Inc. showing.

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Binge Drinking Source of Problems for Students

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With this increase in drinking, women are more likely to engage in "regret sex," drugs, skip classes, and be on academic probation, according to recent studies.

Along with problems the frequent binge drinker has to deal with, their relationships with friends and family also suffer.

"Conflicts in relationships with friends and men do occur," said Shepp. "Their female friends are irritated, worried, and don't know what's wrong. They feel helpless.

"They will tell their friends they are having a good time, and the binge drinker does believe it does feel good.

"But they can't stop. It's a self-destructing pattern called having fun."

Sarah* has problems dealing with a friend who is a frequent binge drinker.

"My friend, she engages in heavy binge drinking. She's had sex with three guys she didn't know this year. She's on academic probation, engages in recreational drug use, and has a lack of common sense."

Women who have friends who are problem drinkers often feel that they have to play 'moth-

er' to them. It's up to the less drunk one to make sure she doesn't choke on her own vomit.

"The drinker claims it's not a problem, they don't listen, and they can become violent."

What can be done to help curb binge drinking at college, and especially with women?

"Each person should drink less, and try to moderate it," said Shepp. "It's less of a danger. If they try to cut down but can't, they should seek out help.

"The size of the drinking culture is like quicksand. Some stand on the edges and watch, while others sink in and get trapped."

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Cynical Inquisition

by Jason Robinson
Do you feel that the 2002
Spring Festival was a successful diversion from the traditional 4-20 event?



"They are stopping it from being here. It (the festival) changed what it was from last year."

> Noah Smith, 2004, Clarksummer, PA



"It is not 4:20 yet (it was 2:25). There is no way to divert it."

"Zack de la Rocha," 2004, Merrimack, MA



"I don't think it is going to stop it but it is good that they are trying."

Katie Buss, 2005, Lincoln, RI



"Absolutely! I wish they (UVM) would do stuff like this more often. Not just to take attention from 4-20."

Brian Conley, 2004, Memphis, TN

Funding to Be Awarded to Researchers On a Competitive Basis

Continued from front work in the region, those who use

work in the region, those who use its products, and those who visit or care about it."

"We're grateful to Senator Leahy for recognizing the importance of the Northern Forest and for his perseverance in securing the research funding," said Donald H. DeHayes, dean of the School of Natural Resources.

"Because our research program spans all of the issues the Northern Forest is confronting, SNR is a good choice to lead the project.

"We're looking forward to the role we'll be able to play in creating the foundation for enlightened land and forest management practices in the area."

The appropriation and the research it funds have a long history.

Concerned with the amount of forest land sold by timber companies, and resulting real estate speculation of the late 1980s and early 1990s, the governors of Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, and New York turned to the region's congressional delegation.

The delegation formed the Northern Forest Lands Council in the early 1990s. In 1994 the NFLC published a report called "Finding Common Ground: Conserving the Northern Forest," which called for the formation of the Northeastern States Research Cooperative and made a series of research recommendations.

Until the current appropriation, however, no funds were available to implement the research.

UVM's request-for-pre-proposal document asks researchers to submit a two-page summary of the work they plan in one of the following areas: Criteria and Indicators of Sustainable Forest Management; Socioeconomic Implications of Recreation and Tourism in the Northern Forest; Diverse Values and Conflict Resolution in the Northern Forest; Social and Ecological Dimensions of Invasive Species Management; Forest Watershed Planning to Support Vital Rural Communities; and Ecological and Economic Implications of the Transition from Rural to Suburban Forest Landscapes.

The maximum award UVM is permitted to make is \$250,000. "Our intention is to provide funding for a broad-based group of researchers representing a wide cross section of interests," said DeHayes.

"We expect to award a range of budget requests from quite small to the maximum amount."

DeHayes said the School was especially encouraging collaborative research projects.

The Hubbard Brook Project, Northeastern Research Station, an affiliate of the University of New Hampshire, also received an appropriation of \$1,000,000 through the legislation that fund-

The Hubbard Brook Project will focus on collaboration on ecosystem research and assessment.

In addition to Senator Leahy,

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New Hampshire Senator Judd Gregg was a key sponsor of the legislation.

Dehayes said that the appropriation adds to a growing momentum UVM has built in recent months in the environmental arena.

"It will further establish UVM as one of the country's preeminent universities for the study of the environment," he said.

In recent months, the prestigious Gund Institute for Ecological Economics relocated

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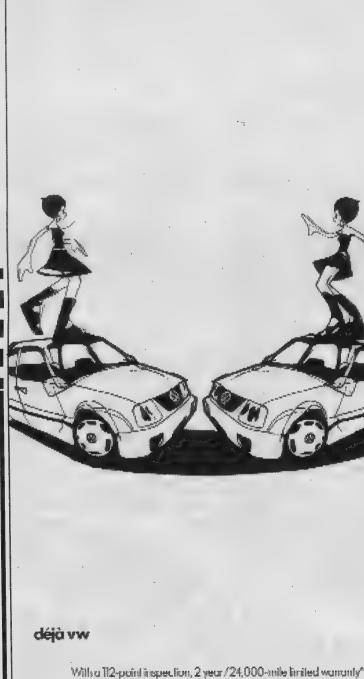
to the University of Vermont from the University of Maryland.

UVM also named Dr. Breck Bowden, an internationally acclaimed researcher, Patrick Chair in Watershed Science and Planning in the School of Natural Resources.

UVM also established the Henrik and Martha Kruse Sustainable Forestry Initiative with a generous gift from the Kruse family.

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Dear Dr. Love.

I can't seem to get up the courage to go down on my boyfriend. I feel really bad because he does it for me, but I just have this issue about it. I have tried before and I just can't follow through. He gets really mad and has actually threatened to break up with me because of it. I don't know why it's such a big deal, but I feel that if it is that important to him then I should at least try.

-Tormented in Tupper

Dear Tormented,

First of all, wait until you're ready or you will create a whole new complex that will be around a lot longer than your boyfriend. The last thing you want is to create insecurities about your sexuality just to please this guy. The manner in which he is threatening you is actually considered abuse. I know it may not seem like a big deal for him to put the relationship on the line for sexual favors, but it is. On the other hand, if you think this is just a little hesitation on your part and that eventually you might be comfortable with the idea then it's okay, but do this on your own terms. And honestly, if he is behaving like you say he is, then I suggest moving on. Then when you're really ready, you can use those newfound skills on someone who's worthy!

Dear Dr. Love,

I recently started going out with this guy and my mother hates him. He's from my hometown and I brought him over a couple times over break. She says he seems too cool to meet her and my dad, and that because he doesn't seem to want to talk to them or look them in the eye, he's hiding something. I guess from the way that he acts she thinks he only wants one thing from me and that he's no good. I was personally unimpressed with the way he acted around my parents but it really pisses me off to have her butt-in like that, and besides I really like this guy.

-Pissed in Pelham

Dear Pissed,

Okay, I don't mean to side with your mother, but when a guy pulls a "Too Cool for the Parents" move, he is bad news. If I were your mother, I would be worried too. Now, I'm not sure how old this guy is, but I am assuming he is about your age. Now that we are in college, if we meet a friend's parents, it is only polite as grown adults to look them in the eye. The way a man interacts with your parents as well as is own, is always a good indicator to how he will treat you. Your mother is only saying this because she cares. She has put the decision in your hands and I'm sure she is looking out for your best interest. While this isn't a reason to break things off with this guy, I would be careful.

Spring Fest '02



Jason Robinson/VC Staff

A UVM student watches an exhibition at Spring Fest 2002.

By ANDREW WOODS

Spring Fest '02 kicked off April 18th with a discussion hosted by Coral and Mike of The Real World MTV. It then developed into a speech from Spike Lee and ended with a concert featuring Vida Blue and DJ Logic.

I was able to attend the concert featuring Page McConnell, Oteil Burbridge and Russell Batiste of Vida Blue. As I approached the concert grounds in front of the Bailey/Howe Library I could make out a small center stage enclosed by metal fences. The parking lot included many booths and vendor displays.

Vida Blue began playing at close to 4:10 pm and didn't stop till nearly 5:45 pm. Vida Blue's show included a variety of sound distortions, complemented by an incredible bass guitar performance given by Burbridge, and an unforgettable performance from drummer Batiste. Page McConnell showed the Vermont crowd an exceptional performance as well.

The real mystery of the show was DJ Logic, who accompanied *Vida Blue* on two unmemorable songs that in no way demonstrated Logic's musical talent. The Spring Fest '02 concert will be

remembered next to incredible musical experiences like "Altamont", U2's "PopMart" Tour and any concert played by A Flock of Seagull.

Corporate sponsorship seemed to permeate every activity of Spring Fest '02, most notably at the concert, starting with Viacom's "MTV presents: Coral and Mike of The Real World" and ending with the largest inflatable hood ornament Volkswagen has ever produced to display at a UVM event. It seemed that Spring Fest '02, was sponsored more by corporate America than UVM.

In the end UVM and its students are probably better off spending \$90,000 to offer alternatives to the marijuana legalization rally. I think we can all say, that we will never forget the timeless wisdom dispensed by members of The Real World and the avarice of corporate America.

Saturday April 20th, 2002 can now be seen as the best on record at UVM, at least that's what we were told by Volkswagen, Viacom and Trek, but only after being reassured of their commitment to quality and consumer relations.

Laurie Anderson to Perform at Flynn Center

Consistently intriguing, provocatively entertaining, and always challenging, Laurie Anderson is one of the world's premier performance artists. Running the range of visual artist, composer, poet, vocalist, instrumentalist, photographer, filmmaker, and electronics whiz, it is no wonder that the *New York Times* has recognized her works as "indelible combinations for the eye, ear, and mind."

Known for consistently thought-provoking and technology-driven pieces, Anderson takes a more introspective and organic look at the human psyche when she brings her new solo work, Happiness, to Burlington's Flynn Centeron. Combining spoken word, song, spare keyboard instrumentals and sound washes, and "medium-tech" lighting and special effects, Happiness "feels almost like sitting around an electronic hearth with a masterful, appealingly obsessive storyteller" (Los Angeles Times).

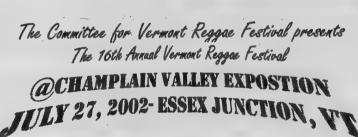
A self-described "cultural spy," Anderson finds Happiness in surprising places: as a cashier in training at McDonald's, for example, where she discovered elemental joy in giving people exactly what they wanted.

Laurie Anderson will be performing at The Flynn on Thursday, May 2 at 7:30 pm. Tickets for this performance are \$34.50, \$31.50, and \$28.50 and are available in person at the FlynnTix Regional Box Office window at 153 Main Street,

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Weekly Horoscopes

Aries March 21 - April 20

This will be a difficult month for you. Watch out for your parents, they will cause more trouble than you can handle. Do not eat Mexican food this week as it could lead to several embarassing incidents with the punchline being your lack of restraint. Good Luck this week! You will need it.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

Everyone will find out that you have been stealing this week. The surprise will come when you are confronted about your stealing by someone you love and respect. You really screwed up here, so don't try to defend yourself.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

You could stand to improve your vocabulary this week. Pick up a dictionary and look up the word "earthquake". Pick up a big dictionary. Look at your forearms. They're pathetic.

Cancer June 22 - July 22

Do not try giving anyone bowling advice this week. If someone asks you for bowling advice or asks how you got so good at bowling, just say: "I'm sorry but I've made an investment...an investment in

bowling!" You will spill coffee on your crotch this week.

Leo July 23 - Aug. 23

You will have an appointment this week that will be canceled. You will become upset when you hear of the cancellation. You will then try to forget about it and eventually tell yourself that you didn't want "that interview" anyway. This will fail. You're so confused.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 22

If you decide to go outside this week try to avoid parking lots, as they have always caused you trouble. Make sure to drink plenty of water and dress appropiatley...for a frat party! You will go to a frat party this weekend only to have it end it heartace. It's the story of your life, but don't let it get to you. If you do it may mean a big change in your life. A big negative change.

Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Try to avoid other Libra's this week. I think you know who I'm talking about. If you see this person, make up an excuse so you don't have to talk to them. Try something like: "I'm really mad there was no riot on April

appointment" If this fails try: "I'm really mad at my dentist. I'm going to start a riot. So...I'll see you later?"

Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Caffeine will become your biggest enemy this week. Try to forget your sign is so close to the word scorpion. This will only cause more problems.

Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec.

Put on an Alice in Chains CD and rock out. Avoid tall women and editorials as they will leave you like a patron of a chinese food buffet, pulling you in at first and then leaving you hungry...for

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan.

Try to avoid telling the same jokes over and over. The people around you don't appreciate it. Instead try new jokes. You will soon see that everyone loves your new jokes. After the week is over continue telling the same jokes that everyone hates. This will make for many hilarious situations!

20th. I have to go to a dentist Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb.

Your week will begin with a bang and end with a bang. You know what I'm talking about. If you don't than this horoscope is probably wrong. Whoops!

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

Try not to read horscopes this week. They will only say things like: "You will spill coffee on your crotch this week.", "Good Luck this week!" and "Try not to read

Jokes o' The Week

O: What's the difference between Woodstock '99 and Spring Fest

A: Woodstock '99 had cheaper water, more intelligent speakers and no one cared what any members of MTV's The Real World had

Q: What do you call a UVM student who makes it big and then forgets where he/she came from?

A: Ben Affleck or Trey Anastasio. That's right...Trey.



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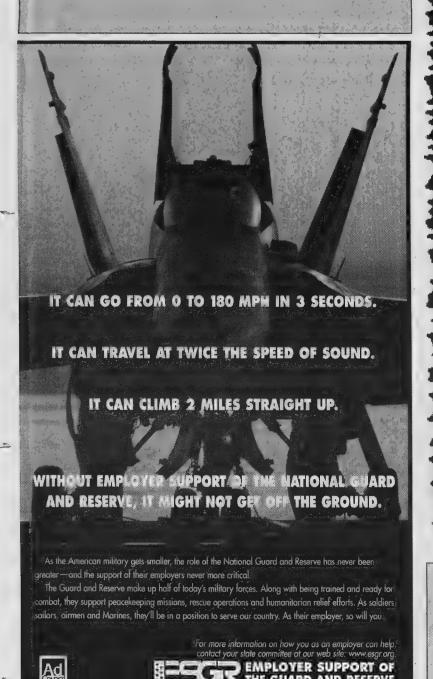
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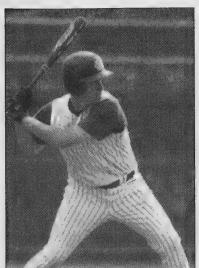


Photo Courtesy of Sports Info Hot-hitting Sophomore Barry Chamberland continutes to get key hits for the Men's baseball team when they are needed most. As of Saturday he was ranked fouth in the American East for batting. The Cats currently stand at 12-13 overal and are 3-3 in conference

Women Overcome Quinnipiac

On Sunday afternoon, Nicole Rifenbary scored five goals and Courtney LaMere moved into fourth place all-time in scoring as the Lady Cats team defeated Quinnipiac, 17-8, at Centennial

LaMere and Rifenbary scored five of Vermont's seven first-half goals to help the Cats to a 7-5 advantage at the break. Quinnipiac, 9-6 overall, responded early in the second half with goals by Jesse Rowley and Marta Waldron to tie the game at 7-7.

After Rifenbary scored her fourth of the game moments later, Quinnipiac tied it again at 8-8 when Kristin Seaman scored.

From then on, though, it was all Vermont, now 6-5 overall, as the Catamounts scored the final nine goals of the game.

LaMere finished with four goals and two assists, and her second goal of the game at 14:01 of the first half moved her into fourth place all-time on the UVM career scoring list. She now has 87 goals and 23 assists for 110 career points.

Freshman Vanessa Cox had a solid game for the Cats, scoring three goals and picking up eight

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

ground balls. Alli Mitchell and senior tri-captain Courtney Keefe each scored twice, and senior tricaptain Jessica Krick scored her first of the season late in the game. In goal, Vermont's Kate McBride had 18 saves.

Andrea Esposito scored four goals and Alexis DiDomenico and Erin Pemrick added three each as the Albany Great Danes defeated Vermont, 16-11, in an America East women's lacrosse game Thurdsday.

The Great Danes, 5-6 overall and 1-1 in conference play, jumped out to an 8-3 lead at the half, thanks to Esposito's three goals and two from Pemrick.

Vermont, cut Albany's lead to 10-8 on Courtney LaMere's goal with 21:23 remaining, but Albany responded with five unanswered goals to put it away.

For the Catamounts, LaMere had three goals and one assist, while Alli Mitchell, Courtney Keefe and Molly Sheehan each scored twice. Keefe added two assists. Westy Lemaistre and Nicole Rifenbary also scored for Vermont.

In goal, Kate McBride had 16 saves for the Cats.

Vermont is now 6-5 over all and 2-2 in American East play. They play Holy Cross at Deerfield, MA on Tuesday at 4:00pm.

Softball Continues to Struggle

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Kristin Couris tossed a two hitter and struck out six Catamounts to earn her fifth victory of the season. The Great Danes scored two in the first and added two more in the fourth, while holding Vermont scoreless. Sophomore Kara Massey went 3 2/3 innings before being relieved by classmate Gayle Peryea, who pitched the final 2 1/3 innings.

The University of Vermont also split an America East doubleheader with visiting Hartford afternoon. Saturday Catamounts earned a 6-1 victory over the Hawks in the first game, but Hartford battled back from a 4-0 deficit to pick up a 7-5 victory in nine innings.

Senior Nicole Bouffard reached base on a Hartford error, allowing teammates Jamie Dawson and Amanda Collis to score and give UVM a 3-0 lead.

Megan Long drilled a two-run homer, her second of the season, in the fifth to push Vermont's lead to 5-0. Classmate Ashleigh Viens added another run with an RBI single in the sixth. Hartford plated one run in the top of the seventh to ruin Angie Totaro's shutout.

Long finished the game going 2-for-3 at the plate and extended her hitting streak to seven games. -Sports Info. She also drove in two RBI and scored two runs. Long is hitting .450 over the past seven games and has driven in six RBI.

Totaro picked up her second straight victory (4-10), scattering five hits and striking out five bat-

Hartford salvaged the day with a 7-5 come-from-behind victory in game two. Vermont sophomore Kara Massey had a two-hitter going into the sixth and a 4-0 lead to work with.

However the Hawks rallied, with two outs in the top of the sixth Liz Borawski drilled a double to drive in teammate Monica Evrard to score Hartford's first run of the day. Borawski scored on a single by Amy Sullivan to bring Hartford to within two, 4-2.

The Hawks added two more in the seventh to tie the game up, 4-4 and force the extra innings. Borawski gave Hartford a 5-4 lead in the eighth when she scored from third on a wild pitch.

Freshman Ashley Stebbins drilled an RBI single to drive in Bouffard as Vermont fought back to tie the game 5-5 in the bottom of the eighth. In the ninth, Mallory Rapoza singled and pitcher Liz Nadeau helped her own cause, with a game-winning two-run home run, giving Hartford the 7-5 victory.

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Morrison Breaks Pole Vault Record



Sports Info Juff Guilmette hoists a shot.

Sophomore Michele Palmer placed first in the 5,000 meters (18:05.67). Senior Peter Raak won the 3,000-meter steeplechase (9:37.32).

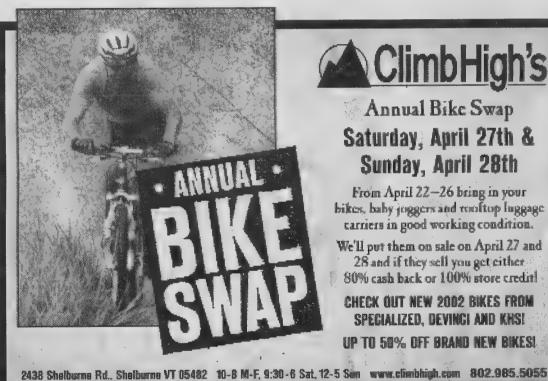
Other top finishers for UVM were: Dan Wheeler second in the javelin (162-4); Tessa Auwarter,

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second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase (12:06.17); Chris Van Cott, second in the 5,000 (15:15.43); Jessica Pinette, second in the 1,500 (4:50.29) and fourth in the 800 (2:23.76); Elizabeth Young second in the 800 (2:18.82); Erin Sawicki, second in the 400 (1:01.17); Paul Renfrew third in the hammer (148-7); Amanda Logan, third in the 400 (1:02.23) and fourth in the high jump; captain George Deane won the 1,500 (3:55.71); Erin O'Grady fourth in the 100 (12.82) and 200 (26.69); Rachel King fourth in the 400 hurdles (1:11.25) and triple jump (33-6); and Ryan McDonald fifth in the 100 (11.61).

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Catamount Sports





Ben Dickie Cynic Sports Columnist

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Just recently I had a chance to cross the boarder to what was my first- and problast-Montrea Expos game.

I don't

know why it took me four years of living in Burlington to finally reach Olympic Stadium, it is not as if I haven't been to Montreal before. Maybe it is because my car always veers towards the Casino De Montreal, who knows.

With contraction looming, the Expos days are running out. What is now the best minor league team in the majors, due to their lack of holding on to top players, will soon be a thing of the past. The Mets were in town for the weekend, so I thought I would take a look into the new look 'Amazin's' that featured Roberto Alomar, Mo Vaughn and Jeremy Burnitz.

Montreal's crowd has been right about on par with what UVM's men's and women's basketball teams averaged towards the end of the year, even though Olympic Stadium seats just a few more. So we figured there might be good seats available.

This kid decked out in a Met's jersey a few rows behind me hollered out, "Hey Roger Cedeno. Up here!" only to be followed by an echo and then silence.

Our eight-dollar (Canadian that is) left field bleacher seats soon turned into twenty rows back, in-between third base and home seats. This kid decked out in a Met's jersey a few rows behind me hollered out, "Hey Roger Cedeno. Up here!" only to be followed by an echo and then silence.

As the game went on, the stadium did fill up a bit due to the New York following. You would have thought that the game was being played in Queens as the crowd erupted when Mike Piazza stepped to the plate in the first inning.

The innings went on without a whole lot taking place, when Vladimir Guererro hit into a simple routine groundout and then it clicked. How will this major league Baseball team, the Expos, be dispersed? Where will Vlad end up? As long as it isn't to the Yankees, I guess I will just worry about that when it gets here.

The highlight of the day might have been summed up though by the touring Montreal mascot. As he went up to all the little kids, giving them high fives and hugs, all of a sudden he began to rub a middleaged man's head. The man jumped to his feet and put up his dukes, threatening to punch out the mas-

While this fan doesn't represent everyone, maybe it is time for the Expos to exit, and no one in Montreal may never even know they were gone.

Northern Exposure | Cats Honored by State | Women First at Holy Cross



After each recording historic

Vermont Men's and Women's bas-

ketball teams were honored at the

Vermont Statehouse in Montpelier

ored with a proclamation from

Vermont Governor Howard Dean

in his ceremonial office at the

Statehouse and then, they

received a resolution from the

America East School in 15 years,

and just the third in league history,

to have both their men's and

House

UVM became the first

The Catamounts were hon-

on Thursday morning.

seasons,

Vermont

Representatives.

the University

Men's Basketball head Coach Tom Brennan and Keith Cieplicki were honored on Thrusday by Vermont Governor Howard Dean. of Sports Info

women's basketball teams capture the conference's regular season championships in the same sea-

This past season Vermont was one of only five schools among the 32 NCAA basketball conferences to win both the men's and women's regular season titles. Also, the Catamounts were one of only 20 of the 320 NCAA Division I basketball programs that had both of their men's (21-8) and women's (23-9) basketball teams win 20 or more games.

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BASKETBALL

Great Danes Out-Run Cats

RJ Harrison and Mark Prior each scored twice but Vermont fell to 0-4 in America East play with a 7-5 loss at Albany Saturday in men's lacrosse action.

The Catamounts, 4-8 overall, trailed 5-4 at the half but tied it at 5-5 on Prior's second goal of the game off a feed from Thomas Hajek . Albany attackman Chris Driscoll scored the game-winner midway through the fourth quarter, and Christopher Preble tallied three minutes later to make for the final margin.

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Michael Gabel recorded 13 saves for Vermont, while Kevin Rae had 14 stops for Albany. The Great Danes are now 7-6 overall and 4-0 in America East play, and will host a first-round playoff game in early May. Vermont has been eliminated from playoff con-

Vermont hosts Dartmouth in a non-league game Wednesday at 3:30pm at Centennial Field.

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Long Dominates Albany

The Cats split a doubleheader with America East newcomer Albany in Albany, New York Wednesday afternoon. Catamounts took game one, 3-1, but dropped a 4-0 decision to the Great Danes in the nightcap.

In the first game, freshman DH Megan Long drove in all three runs to lead Vermont to the 3-1 victory. Vermont and Albany took a scoreless game into the fifth inning.

In the top of the fifth, Long doubled to left center field driving in teammates Christine Toomey and Ashleigh Viens to put the Catamounts up 2-0.

In the seventh, Long belted her second double of the game to drive in Jamie Sawyer and give UVM a 3-0 lead. The Great Danes ruined junior pitcher Angie Totaro's shutout bid with its lone run in the bottom of the seventh.

Long finished the game with two hits and three RBI. Totaro earned her third win of the season scattering five hits and striking out five Albany batters. Sarah

SOFTBALL

Maida picked up the loss for Albany and fell to 13-4 on the

Albany salvaged the day with a 4-0 victory in game two. Kristin Couris tossed a two hitter and

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Photo Courtesy of Sports Info Kara Massey struck out 11 batters.

Guilmette Returns in Winning Fashion at Invitational

Freshman Anne Morrison broke the University of Vermont school record in the pole vault for the third time this season while sophomore Tee Gingras won the 800 and 1,500 as the UVM women finished first in the Holy Cross Invitational Saturday.

The Catamount women finished with 206 points, topping Maine (162), Central Connecticut (102) and Holy Cross (94).

The UVM men finished fourth out of five teams with 80 points.

Morrison, the holder of both the indoor and outdoor pole vault records at UVM, cleared 11-feet, 2-inches to improve on her own record by 2.25 inches.

Gingras, running very well of late, won the 800 in 2:18.17 and captured first place in the 1,500 as well (4:45.90).

Senior captain Jeff Guilmette, in his first meet since knee surgery in March, won the shot put (52-11) and finished third in the discus (128-10).

Other individual winners for Vermont included Kristal Kostiew, who won the hammer throw by more than 11 feet (160-2) while



Bruce Hill/Sports Info Alexandra Hill and Tessa Auwarter compete in the steeplechase at Dartmouth earlier this season.

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finishing second in the discus (134-3) and shot put (41-1).

Senior Elaina Coutrayer, won the triple jump

(36-10) and finished third in the long jump (16-4-3/4). Sara Lovell was the winner in the shot put (41-

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Maine Pitching Freezes UVM

Cumberland's Hitting Stays Hot

Just one day removed from the Boston Marathon, Vermont and Siena held one of their own in college baseball marathon, splitting a pair at Siena Field on Tuesday afternoon.

In the opener, Barry Chamberland (4-5, 4 RBI) doubled home Jeff Barry in the 12th inning to back a strong relief effort by Kumming as Catamounts outlasted the Saints, 8-7.

Josh Burnett hurled a two-hitter as Siena bounced back with a 10-0 win in game two which was called in the sixth inning due to darkness.

Kumming had his best outing of the season allowing no hits and two walks in five and a third innings. He struck out four and retired 12 of the last 13 hitters he faced. In improving to 3-1 on the season, he now has 15 career wins to tie three others for fifth all-time at UVM.

Vermont forced extra innings with a dramatic two-out rally in the top of seventh. Derek Root and pinch hitter Kyle Miller singled and both moved up on one wild pitch by Josh Courage (0-1), who then delivered another that tied the contest.

Burnett was efficient in the second game walking just four to shut out the Catamounts for the first time this season. Miller and Garin Clough had the only Vermont hits.

Brian Robinson's two-hitter gave Vermont a 3-0 win in the

BASEBALL

opener but Maine bounced back with an 8-0 win in game two for a split in America East baseball at Centennial Field on Saturday

Robinson fanned seven and dominated the Black Bears' hitters in the first game allowed just two runners to reach as far as second base after the second inning.

Overlapping last season, Robinson (3-2) has now won his last three decisions and in his last three starts at Centennial Field, he has allowed just seven hits and one run in 21

Vermont scored two runs in the first as with two outs, Jeff Barry reached on an infield hit, stole second and after Barry Chamberland was hit by a pitch, came home on Kyle Miller's single. Jeff Tarigo's RBI base hit then scored Chamberland.

The Catamounts added an insurance run in the sixth as Barry tripled to right field and trotted home on a long sacrifice fly by Chamberland.

The Black Bears looked back after scoring a pair in the first and going on to win in the night game. Cats' starter Jamie Merchant (3-3) suffered the loss, his first in four decisions.

In the opener, the Catamounts, now 14-13 and 3-3 in the America East handed Maine their first conference loss and snapped their 10game overall winning streak.

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University Decides Cycling Club Trailers are a Safety Concern



Andy Duback/VC Staff

Members of UVM's cycling team warm up on the track before taking a team ride. The club will no longer be able to use needed donated trailers.

Risk-Reduction Policies Force Competitive Club to Cease Using Donated Trailers

By LISEL RICHARDS

The University of Vermont's risk-reduction policies have the potential to force the Cycling Club Team to cease operations.

With the elimination of five varsity teams at UVM this year alone, student athletes are increasingly becoming dependent on SGA-sponsored club sports to provide athletic opportunities.

The University's safety concerns, which some say may lead to the loss of the Cycling Team, stem partly from the tendency of fifteen-passenger vans to tip over.

According to National Vehicle Safety Standards, this tendency is then compounded by the addition of a roof rack or trailer, both of which the cycling team

According to Mary Dewey, Director of Risk Management at UVM, "Any time a roof rack is put on a vehicle, whether it is designed for a fifteen-passenger van or not, it raises the center of gravity, which puts you statistically into a much higher chance of roll-over."

Dewey added, "Any time you attach a trailer to a vehicle, the maneuverability is decreased, and when it comes to a student driver who is less experienced, there is an increased risk."

Risk Management has already advised SGA and Student Life that the use of racks on the top of the van created a huge risk, and consequently, the Cycling Team has not been able to use Barre Crafter racks donated to the group.

"We were very disappointed

'Any time a roof rack is put on a vehicle, whether it is designed for a fifteen passenger van or not, it raises the center of gravity, which puts you statistically into a much higher chance of role over.'

- Mary Dewey
Director of Risk Management
that we couldn't use the \$7,000
donated racks," said Jason Baer,
the Cycling Club coach.

"They were specifically designed for fifteen-passenger vans, and every other school uses them to transport their bikes."

"The alternatives we then faced were to then transport the bikes in a U-Hall truck, but they got destroyed," Baer said.

"The trailer was a solution that we found makes the team much more efficient, and is one of the best things to come our way. I don't feel it is fair after the purchase of the trailers to tell us we can't use them."

Dewey said the use of the trailers has just been brought to Risk Management's attention and they have not determined exactly what their recommendations to Student Affairs will be.

The Cycling Team contends that if they were not allowed to use the trailers, it would force individuals to drive separately to races, and the team would lose a sense of unity and totally fall apart.

The UVM crew team also uses a trailer, but team president Ian Kvam says the ban on the use of trailers will not affect them.

"We pull our trailer with a rented truck from Thrifty and the

liability is not on the school," Kvam said.

Dave Nestor, Interim Vice President of Student Affairs, said the issue is not that a team cannot have a trailer, but what they are using to pull the trailer.

"When we get around safety issues, we do get a little more rigid," said Nestor.

And, as Dewey pointed out, "A student can be named in a law-suit just as easily as the University."

Nestor said he would like to see a partnership formed with the Cycling Team to find a safer option, even if that option costs the University significantly more money.

"I won't put it completely on the students to come up with some sort of solution; we need to sit down with the students and find a joint way to resolve this," Nestor said.

The problem students and the administration face is important because, as Nestor said, "You can't cut corners when you get around the safety issues."

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UVM Students Recognized for Community Service

The State of Vermont recognized four University of Vermont Students involved with Volunteers in Action (VIA) for their community service involvement in the Burlington area and beyond.

Dana Stromberg, who coordinates the Vermont Children's Magazine, Keegan Tierney, past Director of Alternative Spring Break, and Maren Spitz and Eve Weiskopf, two of the Food Salvage coordinators, were honored with the 2002 Governor's Awards for Outstanding Community Service.

In addition, Stromberg was selected as one of Burlington's Neighborhood Night of Success stories. NNS is a program to acknowledge community residents who contribute to the wellbeing of Burlington.

Stromberg, a senior majoring in English and psychology, has worked with the Vermont Children's Magazine (VCM) through Volunteers in Action for four years.

First as a volunteer, and now as a coordinator, she matches UVM students with local elementary school students to help the elementary schoolers with creative writing.

The program publishes a magazine of the students' work once a semester.

"Since my freshman year, VCM has been the highlight of my week, every week," Stromberg said.

"I can't even really fathom leaving this program behind at graduation, but I know that when I do, it will be in extremely capable hands."

Spitz, a psychology major, and Weiskopf, a social work major, are both juniors who first met as new first-year students in 1999 on Community Service TREK when they worked on a Habitat for Humanity home-building project.

They have collaborated since then to organize and serve a weekly meal to the homeless population of Burlington every Sunday night at the King Street Youth Center.

Heading into their senior year, both are dedicated to their leadership role and their service with Food Salvage.

"Food Salvage keeps me grounded in that it makes me aware of the larger community needs in Burlington," Weiskopf

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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Lee Higgins enjoys a Vermont tradition of maple syrup on snow at the Sugar on Snow Festival held outside Bailey/Howe Library.

Debate Team Sets Records, Will Travel to Puerto Rico

UVM's Lawrence Debate Union recently ended another winning season, maintaining its top-10 ranking in the National Debate Association Sweepstakes.

The LDU, which finished ninth in the sweepstakes, set new team records for the most wins (438) and most debates (831) this

Among the squad's honors this season, senior Aaron Fishbone and sophomore Shawn Wilkerson were named to the national Cross Examination Debate Association All American Debate Team.

In addition, Coach Alfred "Tuna" Snider, professor of foren-

sics, received the Don Brownlee Award for service to debate.

The LDU will visit Puerto Rico May 6-11 to compete in the second annual International Spanish Language Debate Tournament.

The UVM squad was the only American debate team to attend last year's tournament, which was held in Santiago, Chile.

They received several standing ovations during the event.

This year in Puerto Rico, Snider will present a workshop on judging and assist with tournament management.

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A Year in Review: 2001-2002

As the year winds down and everyone gets ready for finals, it seems it was only vesterday we welcomed the Class of 2005.

This year has been a memorable one, for both good and bad reasons.

As the year draws to a close and dorm rooms are being packed, the Cynic decided to take a look back at the eventful school year of 2001-2002.

One of the most influential parts of this University is the administration. With an interim president and the appointment of a new one, the power of the school has been changing hands, and that can cause havoc on a community.

But the administration has handled it the best it could under these circumstances.

In dealing with issues ranging from the effects of Sept. 11 to hate crimes and violence, the administration has made an attempt to unite the UVM community and provide a safe learning environment.

With little funding from anything and trustees breathing down their necks, they made some difficult choices, always keeping in mind the best interests of the University.

From athletic cuts to academic programming, some groups lost out. Some of the decisions didn't sit well with many people, but you can't please everyone all the time

Students groups have also made a huge impact on campus this year. From R.A.s to SGA officers, students play important roles in other students' lives.

Many student groups have received flak for different things, such as the suspension of the ISO and R.A.s' involvement with student-police relations, but everyone is doing the best they could.

Students have also done a great number of good things, including the first-annual Spring Fest and UVM Cares as well as having raised thousands of dollars for Sept. 11 Relief Funds.

But both student groups and the administration would be nothing without the students of UVM. They are the UVM community.

From Sept. 11 to hate crimes to 4/20, they rallied to make UVM a safe and healthy place to be.

They are students, athletes, volunteers, friends. They have done tremendous things this year for UVM and the Burlington community.

Next fall, we will welcome the Class of 2006, a competitive class that will represent the best of the best of the possible incoming class.

Let's show them what a great place UVM can be, as we have shown this year.

A Farewell to the Class of 2002

As all students say goodbye to the school year and hello to the summer, the Class of 2002 is saying goodbye to UVM forever.

As commencement occurs on May 19, the seniors of UVM will cross the bridge from college students into full-fledged adulthood, the big step into the real world.

A lot of things have happened since the class of 2002 walked onto UVM as first-years, both on this campus and in the larger community.

The Class of 2002 has seen a lot of changes through its tenure here at UVM. A new president, new facilities, changes in academics and athletics.

It's seen the end of the "4/20" celebration as it's been known, a wave of political activism spread across the campus and basketball championships.

The Class of 2002 is a class of athletes, scholars, volunteers, leaders, hard-workers and committed members of the UVM com-

As all students say goodbye to the munity and the larger Burlington communi-

There are stand-out members of the Class of 2002, people who will leave a mark on this campus for a long time.

This hasn't been the easiest year to be a senior, either. With a recession upon us, the job market isn't what it was back in 1998.

With a tight job market, many are looking towards graduate, law and medical school, making competition into top schools even more difficult.

But this class will prevail.

They have proved that they can be successful here at UVM, and they will continue to be successful wherever they choose to put their efforts.

As the Class of 2002 walks across the stage on May 19, they will leave their life here at UVM and move on to bigger and better things.

Farewell, Class of 2002, you will not be soon forgotten.

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Editorial Stereotypes Women

To the Editor:

I would like to sit here and comment on the specific aspects of this article which I found extremely demeaning. I believe, however, for basic trust in mankind, that each person who reads the article realizes the vast generalizations stated within the text. Outraged that an article such as this could be published, I was forced to respond. I'm sure many women felt similarly offended.

I'm not arguing about the negative aspects of drinking and how they affect a person's behavior. I am, however, arguing against the biased remarks stated by the author. The fact that only women were portrayed as weak and vulnerable to alcohol's effects negates the undeniable truth that everyone who drinks is affected negatively. Such a sweeping generaliza-

tion is completely uncalled for. The author probably chose to remain anonymous because he, too, must have realized the misogynistic nature of his remarks

If this editorial's overall goal was to combat binge drinking on campus, then its course of action was severely skewed. By stereotyping all women at this university who drink on the weekends as meek, easy and indifferent to their education, the author is utilizing a simply unsuccessful tactic. I would challenge this author to respect himself by formulating an apology to all women on this campus. This is the least of the repercussions that should come from such unreasonable accusations and stereotypical accounts of the female students at this university.

Amy Myers Class of 2004

Editorial Perpetuating Catch-22

To the Editor:

After reading "Women Should Respect Themselves," I was left thoroughly confused. The editorial argues that women in college do not respect themselves. Instead, college women are going out every weekend getting drunk and allowing "unknown men" to fondle them, leading to a depletion of their self-esteem.

But have no fear, UVM; this extremely sexist article has the answer we have all been desperately seeking. The solution? Women should immerse themselves in their schoolwork, call Grandma or start volunteering. Yet, as a student at UVM and a woman myself, I am left confused.

Living within this patriarchal society, all I need to do to gain self-respect (and maybe even respect within society) is to call Grandma and Grandpa? I do volunteer and I do work hard at my schoolwork, yet I still feel something is missing. I guess I would have to argue that self-

respect often derives from BEING respected. I completely agree with the argument that young women should stop determining their worth based on the approval of others.

Yet I do not feel the answer lies in asking girls to study on Saturday nights rather than going out. Possibly the answer is in how women are portrayed in the media, or how a woman is treated when she walks down the street. I do not know the answer.

What I do know is that the editorial seems to be continually perpetuating the Catch-22 in our society: the virgin/whore dualism. For a woman to be respected, she must become the virginal sweet young girl we see in the fifties. Yet on our campus, it seems that if a woman wants to be considered acceptable, she needs to be looking hot in that cute new shirt from Express.

Rachael Appel Class of 2004

Fault Lies With the Palestinians

To the Editor:

I hope that Chris Pedler, author of a recent article about Israel, is pursuing a degree in fiction writing; he will receive accolades and honors galore. His editorial has a plethora of mistakes, half-truths and blatant lies. Let us now examine the most egregious ones.

"In 1982, Sharon supervised the massacre of 2,000 civilians in Southern Lebanon" (Pedler). I assume Pedler is referring to the Sabra and Shatilla massacre. It was a horrible incident of Christians killing Muslims. Sharon did not "supervise," perpetrate or initiate this massacre. Pedler asserts that "When Time magazine accused Sharon of complicity in the massacre, he sued them for libel and won" (National Review Online). Here, Pedler is simply repeating a false accusation which is popular among anti-Israeli activists.

"In the past two weeks...he (Sharon) has buried hundreds of civilians alive" (Pedler). Once again, Pedler is accepting the lies of the Palestinians without any pursuit of the truth. Even human rights groups, who are consistently biased against Israel, have disregarded the accusation of a massacre. If they wanted to massacre civilians, or engage in "driving [the Palestinians] from the territories

altogether," then why is Israel using such limited forces? They could have simply used air power to flatten the towns and refugee camps. Unlike the Palestinian Authority, and many of its constituents, Israel does not revel in the massacre of non-combatants.

Pedler writes that the Palestinians have a "right to return to the homeland that was taken from them." Where is this Palestinian homeland that was "taken?" There has never been an independent Palestinian state. Ever. The Palestinians had the opportunity to have their own country in 1948; they chose to reject the offer. Only 20 months ago, the Palestinians received another offer from the Israelis: full statehood in 96% of the West Bank, Gaza and Eastern Jerusalem. Yassir Arafat rejected that one, too.

In closing, I beg readers to investigate the crisis in the Middle East closely. I hope that Israel and the Palestinians can someday live in peace, and that the suffering of civilians on both sides will end soon. But, if one studies history with an unbiased eye, it becomes patently clear that the vast majority of responsibility for the misery in the Middle East lies with the Palestinians.

Greg Rudolph UVM med school, class of 2005

Exciting Firsts and Important Decisions: My First Year at UVM



Kristin Dobbs Editor-in-Chief

UVM.

This year was full of firsts: first roommate, first time far away from home, first all-nighter, first college party, first finals (high school finals do not count), first spring break, first semester burnout and the first time I have to leave my new home to return to my "other" home far away.

While experiencing all of these firsts, I, along with all of my peers, had to attempt to be a full-time student and a member of this UVM community.

That hasn't always been an easy thing, because it often involves making very difficult al Spring Fest, with food and choices.

Study for Biology, or party?

and

how

my first year of

college here at

Write my English paper, or watch the Real World with my suitemates?

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That always hasn't been an easy thing, because it often involves making very difficult choices.

Study for Biology, or party?

Along with making those difficult choices, I also had to learn the ropes of being a UVM student, which is an experience all in itself.

From naked cyclists to basketball championships to the "4/20" celebration, it's been an interesting trip.

We've had firsts on campus this year, as well. The first-annumusic for all, and basketball championships for both the men and women, with records being broken all season.

The ride hasn't always been a fun one, though.

Athletic cuts, police-student problems and something all Americans had to deal with, Sept.

I don't know if it's the cold weather that has toughened us up, but students at UVM are resilient. and we have all dealt with these challenges and become a stronger community for it.

Facing adversity through hate crimes and violence, we have come together to support one another throughout it all.

Throughout this whole year and all of these firsts, I have also had the unique and wonderful experience of seeing these issues and events not only through the eyes of a student, but as the Managing Editor of the Vermont Cynic.

Being heavily involved in campus has made my first year something I will never forget.

You care a lot more about people and organizations when you are directly involved.

I am excited to help provide an important and needed service, providing information and opinions of the University, to the UVM community.

I have had the privilege of being elected Editor-in-Chief of the Cynic for next year.

I am excited to help provide an important and needed service, providing information and opinions to the UVM community.

If you only do one thing at your tenure here at UVM, it should be to get involved somehow in the community.

From the Greek system to Volunteers In Action, there is

something for everyone.

I know from first-hand experience that it isn't easy being a student and really being involved in extra-curricular activities.

Throughout all the allnighters, countless hours and hard work, I haven't regretted the decision I made to get involved for one minute.

The rewards you get from being involved and making a difference, and the relationships you build, far outweigh any stress and extra work done.

So, take a nice summer break and watch all the Passions and Real World you want.

Go to the beach, hang out with friends and take some time to relax after a stressful year.

But come back in the fall with energy and enthusiasm, and join me in making UVM a great place to be.





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Thank You, Professor Smith

Recently, I was sad to hear that next year, the Political Science Department will no longer retain Dr. Tim Smith.

This departure within the department's Constitutional Law area compounds the loss of Dr. Howard Ball to retirement.

While Dr. Ball's exit into retirement is unavoidable, Dr. Smith, an assistant professor, was not asked back because he had not met the publishing requirements needed to attain tenure at the University of Vermont.

While the rules for tenure were in place long before any of us have arrived at this university, one thing for certain is that Professor Smith will be missed.

As someone who has personally had him for a professor, it is my opinion that Dr. Smith is one of the most overlooked lecturers in the department.

The excellence behind Dr. Smith's lecturing is that he employs a sophisticated and understandable wit within his classes and course material.

For example, during the middle of a brief written by former Chief Justice Burgher, Dr. Smith pointed out that Justice Burgher was such a bad justice that he was the only lawyer ever to die without making a will.

Professor Smith presented complicated material so clearly that students completely understood it. Aside from Professor Smith's great teaching abilities, his classes were challenging. When I was enrolled in his Civil Liberties course, we were required to read and write several legal briefs for each class on various Supreme Court Opinions.

Dr. Smith's exams were so extensive that not only did you need several hours to complete the test, but multiple blue books!

Most importantly, Professor Smith made his students think. Whether you were liberal or conservative, or whether your jurisprudence was that of original intent or you believed the Constitution is a living document, Dr. Smith made you contemplate how the other side came to its conclusions. Dr. Smith did what a professor should do; he challenged his students to come up with their own answers and line of judicial reasoning.

Although many students and faculty members have expressed the wish that they could make an exception for Dr. Smith, UVM cannot. While it is sad that the Political Science Department is losing a great professor, the rules regarding tenure cannot change. Professor Smith, thank you for the challenging classes and for being a great teacher.

Vermont Cynic Columnist Mike Banyas is a member of the Class of 2003.

UVM Finally Got Its Act Together Over "4/20"

To the Editor:

As my semester in Edinburgh wound down, I figured I'd keep up with the news in Vermont.

I went to the Free Press online on April 21, expecting to discover just how many of my fellow students had made asses out of themselves in full glare of the media. I was shocked to learn the number was, in fact, tiny – certainly not the 1500 of past years.

Every year, legions of people smoke up and end up pictured on the front page of the Free Press, along with a handful of quotes lifted from the movie Half Baked, lines that insult the intelligence of all of us

I was delighted to find that the administration finally got its act together and put a stop to the annual pot party that had helped degrade our reputation from 'public Ivy' to public embarrassment in just a few short years.

This year, the administration put the good name of our school above a fleeting moment of joy (and abject stupidity) for a handful of people.

I give a great deal of credit to President Colodny and to Gary Margolis, a man who is often vilified (and sometimes not without merit) for the conduct of police officers.

Undoubtedly, the cheapest way to handle the problem would have been to descend on the party with a few dozen cops and make arrests one by one. Some might have willingly gone to jail, but the rest would have dispersed.

Instead, the administration opted for a solution good for the smokers and for everyone else, even though it cost a significant amount of money. Far too often in my three years, UVM's administration has been vilified, often

with good reason and sometimes without.

In this instance, they deserve credit from students, alumni and everyone who is sick of seeing UVM's image based on one hour of the year.

What goes on in the dorm rooms is one thing. Sure, the police come knocking every once in awhile, but most people would admit that as long as students don't draw attention to themselves, they won't run into problems. 4/20 drew attention to the smokers and to the school, unwanted attention that deflated the reputation of our school, and with it, the esteem in which our degrees are held.

Thankfully, the administration bit the bullet and did something about it. It was a long time coming.

Russel Henderson Class of 2002

Support a Livable Wage for All UVM Employees

To the Editor:

Recently, the Basic Needs Budget and Minimum Wage Report concluded that the minimum livable wage for a single worker with no children in Vermont is \$10.93 per hour.

Anything less is inadequate to cover housing, health care and nutritional needs for workers and their families.

However, 54% of UVM employees fall below this standard, including 85% of custodians and 96% of people who speak English as a second language.

On Tuesday, May 7, the United Electrical Workers union will hold a press conference and rally outside Waterman at noon to demand that UVM keep its employees above the poverty line.

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UVM to Be First Recipient of Burlington District Heating

By NATE CURTIS

A new proposed energy system could provide all of the University of Vermont's heating needs while reducing overall greenhouse gas emissions.

The Burlington Community Energy System would use heat normally lost in the creation of electricity and pipe it up North Prospect to UVM through a milelong thermal transmission line.

The major benefit of this system will be to reduce Burlington's emissions of carbon dioxide, considered to be the most harmful greenhouse gas.

According to John Irving, a representative of Burlington Electrical Department (BED), "We expect that we will avoid 30,000 tons annually of carbon dioxide emissions."

This new energy system, known as CoGeneration, will potentially increase the efficiency of Burlington's biomass burning facility, the McNiel Plant, from 30% up to 80%.

This would replace UVM's current boiler system, which runs, the majority of the year, off natural gas and oil #6, a form of diesel, when natural gas is not available.

The McNiel Plant currently burns approximately 76 tons of biomass per hour. Biomass, an alternative fuel used by the McNiel Plant, primarily comes in the form of low-quality trees and 'This would allow UVM to put their interest back in education...instead of running a steam plant. And that really is what college is all about.'

-Jon Irving Burlington Electric Department

harvest residues.

Biomass is considered a carbon-neutral fuel because carbon dioxide and other gases emitted from the decaying trees are part of a natural process, and do not contribute to global climate change.

In order to bring the system online, BED will need to construct a one mile-long thermal transmission line that would carry steam from Burlington's McNiel Plant to central heating on Main Campus, and return the cooled water along the same line back down to the Plant for reuse.

Although UVM would be the first to receive the benefits of this new system, BED plans to expand the district energy system to Fletcher Allen, downtown Winooski and downtown Burlington, as well.

The UVM Trustees passed a resolution on October 19, 2001 to support continued research into the system design, provided that UVM would not need to pay any

fees for its construction.

Officials from BED are seeking funding from the state and federal government for the project, which would cost approximately 6 million dollars.

According to Salvatore Chiarelli, director of Physical Plant, "This project still requires careful study and making all the proper evaluations of all aspects of the project; contracts, fuel sources, equipment reliability, human resources and the inconvenience to the people whose homes the construction would run by."

One of Chiarelli's main concerns is that it would be difficult and costly to maintain UVM's current boiler system as a back-up in case the district energy system were to go down.

The Burlington Community Energy System could be the foundation for making Burlington one of the most sustainable cities in New England.

And, Jon Irving said at an informational session, "This would allow UVM to put their interest back in education...instead of running a steam plant. And that really is what college is all about."

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Volunteers Make Large Commitment

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said. "It is easy to get focused on just being a college student, but volunteering with Food Salvage, gives me perspective."

Food Salvage advisor Katie Flanagan, Graduate Assistant for Community Service in the Department of Student Life, nominated the two for the Governor's award.

"They are two of the most committed students to their service and the population with whom they work," Flanagan said.

Tierney, who is graduating this spring with a wildlife biology degree, directed the Alternative

Spring Break Program for two years

During that time, he recruited 120 students annually to participate on several community service trips over spring break.

"ASB was what kept me at UVM. It gave me a chance to contribute and build my own leadership skills while learning about community issues," Tierney said.

Volunteers in Action, a student-directed umbrella organization made up of 15 volunteer programs, boasts membership of over 350 volunteers a year.

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Cynical Inquisition

by Jason Robinson
What is the most important thing you learned at
UVM this year?



"I learned that life is too long and at the same time, too short."

Pam Smith, Library Records
Specialist, St. Albans, VT



"To have even more patience than I had before, especially with people."

> Jess Ryder, 2002, Ridgewood, NJ



"Answers come if you listen and it is fun to grow plants in living machines."

John Orr, 2003, Franklinville, NJ



"I realized that everything you know can change in just the passing of a minute, whether it is your family, your career or your view of the world. This year offered everyone many lessons."

Jason Robinson, 2002, South Burlington, VT

UVM Poll Shows Overwhelming Support for Conservation of National Forests Among Vermonters

Vermonters overwhelmingly support public ownership of land and land preservation, even when creating additional wilderness areas might require modification of traditional land uses, according to a statewide UVM poll released on April 22.

University of Vermont's Center for Rural Studies conducted the poll, which focused on issues related to the Green Mountain Forest, under contract with the Vermont Wilderness Association, a consortium of environmental groups.

"There's no such thing as a perfect survey," says Fred Schmidt, associate professor of community development and applied economics, who directed the project.

"But we worked hard with the group to take the bias out of the questions and get the most useful responses."

The statewide poll, which included 472 completed interviews, utilized a representative sample of registered voters and has a five-percent margin of error.

A separate sample of registered voters in households in or adjacent to the Green Mountain

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National Forest also participated in the poll.

These residents, who presumably would be most directly affected by changes in the size and regulation of the forest, also strongly supported public land ownership.

Among both polling samples, over 80 percent of those polled agreed with the statement, "I approve of the public ownership and management of land."

Over two-thirds of each polling sample also agreed with the statement, "More wilderness

areas should be established on the Green Mountain National Forest."

But only slightly more than a quarter of respondents in each sample felt that, "Some existing wilderness areas on the GMNF should be reopened to logging."

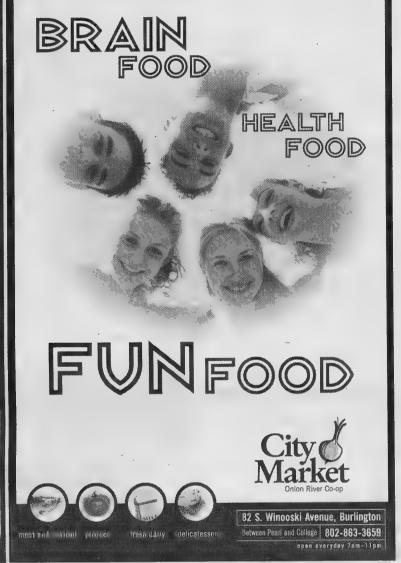
Interviewers also asked poll respondents to rank various priorities for the forest on a scale of one through 10.

Respondents from both samples overwhelmingly agreed that the forest should "protect wildlife habitat, watersheds and natural processes "

The statewide interviewees gave low mean scores to the statements that the forest snow-mobiling and ATVs (3.9) and logging, grazing and mining (3.5) should expand.

While the sample polled is demographically representative of the overall population of Vermont residents accessible by telephone, the age and educational level of participants was slightly higher than average. This is typical of statewide polls.







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Ask Dr. Love

Dear Dr. Love,

This past weekend, I was at Spring Fest partying with friends. My boyfriend's best friend made a couple of uncalled for, drunken comments. My boyfriend is at an internship in Colorado, and we've been together for almost three years.

His best friend gave me hugs, held my hand and was by my side all night. A couple of times, he made comments about how he wished my boyfriend was out of the picture so we could have sex, seeing as he's liked me for such a long time. I ended up telling my boyfriend. Now, they are fighting and my boyfriend has told his friend he can't talk to me and he doesn't want me talking to him, either. I love my boyfriend, but his friend is also a friend of mine that I've grown close to over the year... What do you think I should do about the situation?

-Torn in Tupper

Dear Torn in Tupper,

I know you don't want to hear this, but it sounds as though you brought this upon yourself. You were leading him on by letting his friend give you hugs and hold your hand all night. I am not saying you are to blame, but it doesn't sound as though you tried to stop it. I'm not sure what you planned to accomplish by telling your boyfriend. Obviously, this would cause problems for all of you.

I think the victim here is your boyfriend and not you. I don't know what friendship you plan to salvage with this other guy, but I think it's time you start asking yourself if this is productive. If the long distance thing is too much for you to handle, then maybe it's time to end it. Otherwise, you might want to start making decisions that will help your relationship and not hurt it. Good luck.

IN LEARNING

EXPLORATIONS

UVM's College Radio Station 90.1 WRUV



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff

Two WRUV DJ's look on as Melo Grant mixes hip-hop. Oh, you WRUV DJ's, you so crazy!

By ANDREW WOODS

The inside of WRUV's office in Billings Student Center could be described as a labyrinth. While in their office, I was often times confused as to my exact location.

WRUV's office space is rivaled only by their musical library, which is staggering, to say the least, containing everything from early *Rat* to late *Blondie*. But I was disappointed to learn that their library did not contain Neil Young and The Shocking Pinks' 1983 sensation "Everybody's Rockin," or Young's 1982 critically-acclaimed album "Trans."

WRUV has approximately 75 DJ's, the most unseasoned DJ's occupying the "graveyard" hours (those hours between 12 a.m. and 7 a.m.) and the most experienced DJ's filling those

times of heaviest listening. Each DJ has his/her own two hour show and is required, upon joining WRUV, to incorporate music that they are unfamiliar with for at least 25% of their show.

WRUV also discourages playing any songs that have appeared in Billboard's Top 100 songs, the reason for this being originality of musical content.

Although these policies seem restrictive, WRUV DJ's are not confined to any one musical genre, leaving ample opportunity for DJ's to explore many different types of music.

The highlight of my time at WRUV was my sit-in with Melo Grant and The Free Range Chicken. Both DJ's have popular radio shows that enjoy widespread listener support. My introduction to Melo Grant included a lengthy debate about "selling out" in the world of hip-hop

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We then discussed a variety of topics touching on hip-hop, the cultural trends within hip-hop and WRUV station policy. We even talked about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Grant's overriding concern about WRUV was their funding, or lack thereof, citing numerous maintenance and equipment problems.

I then sat in with self-described eclectic DJ, The Free Range Chicken. Free Range's show "And They Haven't Caught Me Yet" showed a surprising range of music that demonstrated why WRUV is so popular. Free Range's show was indeed eclec-

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tic, playing everything from ambient Santana to Dropkick Murphys (I requested the Murphys in lieu of Everybody's Rockin').

My sit-in with Free Range reached its apex when we began discussing The Flaming Lips, Soul Coughing and pre 1977 Elton John. Needless to say, Free Range is well versed in many genres and styles of music.

It became evident that our musical choices were well received by our listening audience as we were bombarded with call after call expressing satisfaction with our musical decisions.

After a hard day's work, I decided to let The Free Range Chicken handle the music.

WRUV's popularity can be attributed to their commercial-free policy and range of musical play, along with their schedule of air play which includes all academic breaks.

The station has also been seen as one of the most diverse student clubs on campus with DJ's representing almost every demographic niche on campus.

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Aries March 21 - April 20

With finals approaching, your life will begin to spin out of control. Try to stay calm and remember that finals are extremely important-they will determine the rest of your life.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

You might not understand why someone close to you has begun to distance themselves from you. Confront this person about his/her behavior. If he/she says that there is nothing wrong, say: "Really? What about all the distance between us? Well? What about the distance? Well? Well?" If they accuse you of asking too many questions, repeat the aforementioned questions.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

Your name makes people think of you as "undesirable." Change your name to something memorable. If this doesn't work...well, it should work.

Cancer June 22 - July 22

How many times have you asked the question: "Why doesn't UVM change it's name to UVT?" You are right in asking this question. After all, how many people in Vermont speak Latin fluently?

Not many. That's how many.

Leo July 23 - Aug. 23

Your week will be a rollercoaster of emotion. If you think you can make it better by working harder at your relationships...you're right! You will ruin your favorite computer this week.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 22

Try doing some laundry this week. I know you've been putting it off because you don't have any quarters. Even though you might not have any quarters, you need to find some. I'm serious about this, Stinky.

Libra Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Registering for classes happened a long time ago. Why haven't you registered for classes yet? Answer me.

Scorpio Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Remember last week's horoscope for you? Scorpion, ha ha! Oh man! Scorpion!

Sagittarius Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Remember that there are seven days in a week. Take each week seven days at a time. If someone squirts you with water this week, plan to get them back every day of the week. That means you will get them back seven times. Let's see you write these. Okay, got that?

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

I have good news and bad news for you. The bad news: Conan O'Brien's show has started to become too predictable. The good news: You enjoy this because you will be able to predict every joke he will tell at the beginning of the show. If everyone else tries to tell you that this is not funny, ignore them. More bad news: You enjoy this because it's all you've got! Ha ha ha! All you've got...

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Summer means relaxing at the beach and having a good time. This might be true, but it also means sharks! Don't relax if a shark comes near you. Instead, start screaming and waving your arms so the shark will be scared away. If a "shark expert" tells you this is wrong, ignore his/her

advice; ignorance may save your life.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

Try not to criticize your friends' friends. It's a bad move and could lead to serious problems. Consider the following: You begin to criticize your friends' friend without realizing that the zipper to your trousers is open. Your friend then says: "Can you feel the breeze, 'cause I smell cheese!" This will be hilarious.

Quotes o' The Week

"You're not to be so blind with patriotism that you can't face reality. Wrong is wrong no matter who does it or says it."

-Malcolm X

"The United States is a nation of laws: badly written and randomly enforced."

-Frank Zappa



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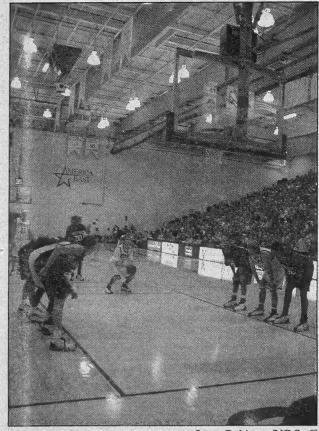
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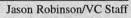
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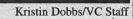


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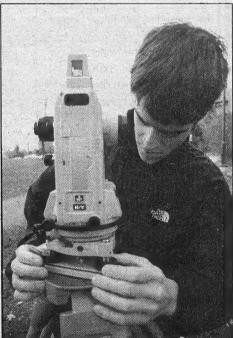
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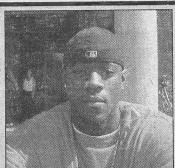
Athlete Inquisition

What was great about your sport?

Do you have any regrets?

What does the future hold for you?

Will you stay in Vermont after graduation?



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Trevor Gaines,

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No regrets. I believe I made the right choice in coming to UVM. We took the team a step in the right direction.

I am looking forward to playing overseas. I have a couple of options; I'm going to keep playing.

I consider my stay in Vermont a four year vacation. It is a great town with wonderful people. I will definitely visit.



importance of teamwork.

There are times I wish I had gone to a place with more school spirit, like schools with football teams. But, as a whole, I think UVM was the right

St. Albans, VT

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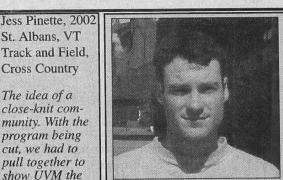
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Track and Field,

I am going to continue to train, maybe coach a high school team and get a job as a dental hygien-

I will stay in Vermont for a year and work.



John Minahan, 2002 Sodus Point, NY Alpine Skiing

We represented UVM at the national level.

Not at all. I came here for UVM's

reputation and the coach (Felix McGrath).

I hope to start my own stone masonry business and I plan on coaching in the winters.

I plan on staying in Vermont for the summer, but after that, I am going to leave Vermont. I don't know where I may go; maybe Utah?

Compiled by Jason Robinson

Cycling Club Finishes Strong at West Point

By MATT MONTROSS

UVM Cycling headed down to West Point on April 20-21 for the weekend, and came out with some good results, finishing third.

Saturday's action was a hilly road race starting with the Men's C and D fields, followed shortly by the Women's B race.

Freshman Ryan McKown finished fourth in the C race with teammates Erick Galuza, Jeff Price and Chris Niggel finishing fourth, eighth and ninth in the D field, respectively.

The afternoon races were held under worsening weather conditions as the Men's A and B and Women's A races came under a heavy downpour.

Sunday saw better weather and began with the Men's D criterium. UVM pulled three of the top five places with Galuza winning first with the help of Price and Senior Jason Storer finishing third and fifth.

Immediately following was the Men's C criterium where McKown finished third and junior Jason Flattery came in sixth.

The Men's B criterium featured Alec Stall making aggressive attacks early to help sophomore Dan Vaillancourt finish third and Miroslav Koulnis finish ninth.

Benjamin Peters had his best finish of the season in the Men's A criterium, with a second-place finish, beating Penn State Rider Jacob Loverich in a sprint to the finish. Teammate Mike Cody worked in support of Peters and finished tenth.

Sarah Uhl dominated the Women's A criterium, finishing first and winning all of the point sprints. Freshman Nina LaRosa finished a strong fourth in the Women's B race.

Later in the day was the team time trial competition, in which UVM clinched the overall win in the beat the clock format. The Men's C team pulled an upset victory over first-ranked UNH.

Lady Lax in First Playoff in Six Years

Continued from back

Friday afternoon, Vermont travelled down to Boston to take on BU for the final America East game of the season.

The Terriors used their homefield advantage to their best ability while defeating the Cats 21-3.

The Lady Cats bounced back on Sunday with a back and forth win over Marist, 10-8.

Vermont will now play in their first America East playoff game since 1996. The tournament is being held at the University of New Hampshire. UVM plays its first game on Thursday, May 2.

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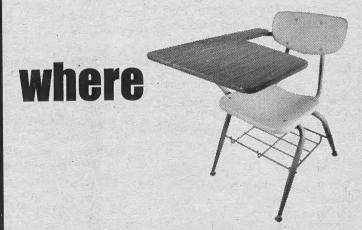
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UVM's Other Athletes



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of the year.

With the semester coming to an end and graduation approaching quickly for some of us, it is time to write ond to le to le swe for some after some work.

Throughout my time writing for the Cynic, I have tended to focus on UVM athletics or professional sports pretty religiously. While I have attended numerous games in just about every different sport while here at Vermont, the sporting events that will leave the most lasting impression with me are not those that I watched, but those that I played in.

No, I am not a varsity athlete here on campus and never have been. I am talking about intramurals. Coming out of high school, intramurals keep athletics alive for those who need their fix of competition but can't quite play at the varsity level.

They give people a shot to try a sport that they may never have had an opportunity to play before and to have fun doing it.

I have tried a little bit of everything in the past four years, but some memories stick out more then others.

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Just this semester, a couple of my friends and I took part in the all-night wiffle ball tournament on the indoor tennis courts. Having built my own replica Fenway wiffle ball field in my backyard that a couple of us had played on all summer, I figured that we could just sweep right through the bracket. That was until we ran into the right-handed submarine version of Randy Johnson in the quarterfinals. Having shut out the two teams before us, we were in for a little more then expected.

Intramurals can often be quite competitive, though, and even sometimes get a little out of hand. I don't know how many men's A division flag football games I have taken part in where the play was so physical I was looking up and down the sidelines to see where Vince McMahon was sitting.

Games are not always this intense, though, as I saw when, just this past weekend, I went to see if I could jump on a team in the corec softball tournament. Having not signed up, I could play if a team needed another player. I ended up playing for the ALANA center's team, which was the most fun I have had in a while and in a much more relaxed atmosphere.

Intramurals can be what you make of them, and my window of opportunity to play them is now over. It is now time to retire the Legion of Doom team name that my friends and I have carried for the last four years and open up the five-on-five basketball championship to a new team.

Robinson Dominates, Cats Sweep

Brian Robinson threw his second straight shutout, a one-hitter, to lead Vermont to a doubleheader sweep over Binghamton, 5-0 and 6-3, in America East baseball at Centennial Field on Saturday afternoon.

The Catamounts now have won six straight and 11 of their last 14 to improve to 20-13 on the season.

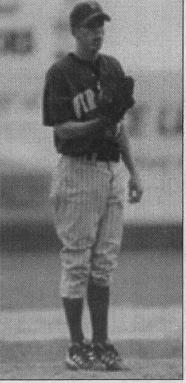
Now 7-3 in the America East, Vermont has taken over sole possession of first place as Maine (6-4) split a twinbill with Albany on Saturday.

In the opener, Robinson struck out seven and walked two while allowing only a one-out single to Tony Berube in the fourth. The junior lefty won his third straight start, a stretch in which he has given up seven hits and no earned runs in 21 innings.

Vermont got on the board in the first as Bobby Tewksbary led with a walk, moved to third on an error and a passed ball then came home on Jason Carey's sacrifice fly.

After Nick Roberts (2-for-3) doubled, Leif Ekelund (2-for-3) added a two-run single in the fourth off Bearcats' loser Greg Sousa (4-6), who allowed just six hits and one earned run in going the route.

Jeff Barry singled in two runs in the first inning of the nightcap as the Cats jumped out to a 4-0 lead after two innings and cruised



Sports Info Brian Robinson has pitched 21 consecutive scoreless innings.

BASEBALL

to the win. Ekelund (5-for-7 on the day, 3 RBI) had another strong game going 3-for-4 with a double and a triple.

Jamie Merchant (6 IP, 3 ER, 4 K's) also pitched well in the second game to improve to 4-3. Justin Bissonnette struck out the side in the seventh to earn his third save, all in the last three conference games.

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Men End Season on High Note

Mark Prior scored four goals and senior Ed Burns scored his first career goal in his final game at Centennial Field as the Catamounts closed out the 2002 season with a 15-1 win over Binghamton on Saturday.

Vermont, 5-9 overall and 1-4 in America East play, took a 6-0 lead after the first quarter as Prior scored all four of his tallies in the opening frame. The Cats had a 10-0 lead at the half.

Doug Moses recorded two goals and an assist for Vermont, while sophomore leading scorer Phil McKnight scored twice. Other Vermont goals came from Joe Herr, Burns – who played goal in the first half before moving to attack - fellow senior Jeff Fauci, RJ Harrison, Myles Jewell, Mo Kieval and Thomas.

Senior Dave Hudacskh, who is fifth in the nation in ground balls per game, had 11 against the Bearcats while winning 14 of 17 faceoffs.

Burns played the first half in goal and had no saves, while Matt Geary played the second half, recording three saves.

Earlier in the week, Dartmouth's Scott Goslyn scored five goals as the Big Green defeated Vermont, 15-10, in a nonleague game on Wednesday.

After an exciting first quarter in which each team scored four goals, Dartmouth - 6-5 overall -

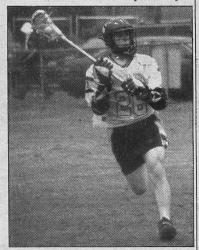
opened it up with four unanswered goals in the second quarter to take an 8-4 lead at halftime.

MEN'S LACROSSE

Vermont cut the Dartmouth lead to 9-7 with 6:34 remaining in the third quarter on a goal by Lowell Thompson. But Dartmouth responded with two more goals, both by Roslyn, the second coming with one second left in the quarter, to take an 11-7 lead after three

McKnight led the way for Vermont with four goals and one assist. Prior and Thompson added two goals each, while Moses and Thomas Hajek scored one goal each. Hajek also contributed three assists.

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Evamarie Perron/VC Staff Phil McKnight led the team with 26 goals and five assists for 31 points.

Cross Country Ranked 20th in Nation for GPA

The University of Vermont men's cross-country team was honored as one of the top academic teams in the country for the second straight year, recently, by the United States Cross Country Coaches Association.

The Catamounts, coached by longtime mentor Ed Kusiak and assistant coaches Perry Bland and Joe Gingras, combined for a grade-point average of 3.29 in the fall 2001 semester.

Vermont was ranked 20th out of all of the programs nominated for the honor, and was the only America East school to receive the All-Academic with Distinction honors.

"Once again, this is a great honor for the UVM cross country program," Kusiak said. "We are very pleased that our student-athletes take such a serious approach to their studies."

In addition, two former student-athletes at UVM coached

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their teams to the All-Academic with Distinction honors.

Trond Nystad '94, a former cross-country, track and field and Nordic skiing standout, is the head coach at Denver University, which finished second nationally with a 3.466 GPA; and Kevin Hadsell '93, a native of South Burlington, VT and former track and field and cross-country runner, is the head coach at the University of Toledo, which ranked 13th nationally with a 3.36 GPA.

"Out of 25 men's cross-country teams that were honored with distinction for their academic excellence, one was from UVM and two were coached by former Catamounts," Kusiak said. "That makes me very proud, and it is a wonderful reflection upon the University of Vermont and its athletic program."

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Women Playoff Bound

Senior tri-captain Courtney LaMere scored three goals and added an assist and Kate McBride stopped 21 shots in goal but the University of Vermont women's lacrosse team fell, 13-9, to Holy Cross on Tuesday.

LaMere, in the top 10 in the nation in scoring and goals, now has 37 goals and 12 assists for 49 points this season. In her career, she has 90 goals – third all-time – and 24 assists for 114 points, good for fourth place on the all-time scoring list. She needs nine goals to move into second place all-time in goals.

The Catamounts, 7-7 overall as of Sunday, trailed 5-3 at half-time and then were outscored, 8-6, in the second half.

Freshman Nicole Rifenbary scored twice for Vermont while Allie Mitchell and Sarah Booker scored one goal each. Keefe, Cox and Westy Lemaistre also recorded



Evamarie Perron/VC Staff LaMere's dominant offense has propelled the Cats to the playoffs this

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

assists.

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Women Fourth, Men Fifth at AE Championships

On day one of the America East Championships in New Haven, Connecticut, the Women's Tennis team won the most tightly-contested match of the day when Susannah O'Brien defeated Amy Surprenant, 6-4, 7-5 in sixth singles for a 4-3 team decision.

Also winning in singles action for the Catamounts was Katie Davidow and Alie Taylor. Vermont also won two out of three doubles matches the teams of A. Taylor/Molly Moran and Davidow/Sarah Taylor each were victorious.

Vermont lost two matches on Saturday and ended up in fourth place in the America East Championships.

In their first match of the day, the Catamounts lost to #1 seed Boston University, 7-0. Vermont then lost in the third place match to #3 seed Binghamton, 6-0. This wraps up the season for the Catamounts.

TENNIS

In other action, the Men were downed by Boston University by the score of 5-2 on Friday. The team took a 1-0 lead over BU early on. The doubles teams of Zeljko Knezevic/Dmitri Eguer and David Levin/Matt Spring both won.

Afterwards, though, the first four singles matches were lost to BU. In singles action, Spring won at the number five spot, 7-6, 6-0.

On Saturday, the Cats wrapped up the season with a 4-0 win over New Hampshire to finish in fifth place at the America East Championships.

Winning in singles action were Zeljko Knezevic, David Levin and Johann Liljengren. Vermont also won two out of the three doubles matches, led by the teams of Matt Spring/Levin and Liljengren/Jon Cooper.

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